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Post Almanac—December 6.

Sun Rises	6.56 A M
Sun Sets	4.46 P M
Day's Length	9 h 50 m
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High Water at Wilmington	10.11 P M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE.
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec 6.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 31°; 8 p. m., 49°; maximum, 60°; minimum, 30°; mean, 50°.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 2.32.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 4.—The stage of the water in the Cape Fear river at 8 a. m. was 19.4 feet and falling.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Warmer, fair weather; southerly winds.

OUTLINES.

The restraining order prohibiting the lease of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad was continued by the judge and the lease will not be made. —— The steamer Dauntless has been seized at Jacksonville, Fla., on suspicion of preparing to engage in a filibustering expedition. —— Secretary Herbert, in his annual report to Congress, recommends the construction of three battleships and twelve torpedo boats, and urges an appropriation for the purpose of supplying guns and ammunition with which to arm vessels to be called in service from our merchant marine; the number of the naval militia is placed at 3 339. —— The Department of State has received the formal protest of the German Government against President Cleveland's proclamation re-imposing the tonnage tax on German vessels in American ports. —— Advices from Spanish sources report engagements with the insurgents, in which the latter was defeated. —— Fitzsimmons' manager is accumulating evidence to prove crooked work in the Fitzsimmons-Sharkey contest and promises to expose a scheme to down the Australian; Sharkey is improving and will be out within three days. —— Erick Stocklasse, a Swedish sailor, the only survivor of the crew of the schooner Frank M. Noyes, which was capsized last Wednesday, was picked up in mid-ocean by a British steamer. —— A suit for nearly $15 000 000 was instituted in the United States Circuit Court at Richmond, Va., in behalf of the Southern Railway against the Richmond & West Point Terminal Railway & Warehouse Co. ——County Treasurer Coe, of Galveston, Tex has been arrested for embezzlement, —— New York markets: Money on call 2 per cent.; cotton dull—middling gulf —; middling 7 9-16c; Southern flour dull and unchanged—common to fair extra $2 85@3 45; good to choice $3 45@3 60 wheat—spot dull and higher; ungraded red 80@1 00 corn—spot dull and weaker; No. 2 29½c at elevator and 30½c afloat; rosin quiet—strained common to good $1 80@1 82½; spirits turpentine steady at 27@27¾c.

It is said that France will spend 200,000,000 francs on more war ships. This is a frank admission that France hasn't ships enough.

Col. Pickett, of Wyoming, is in a position now to gorge on fish. An ice gorge backed up a creek and froze in thousands of salmon trout. When Col. Pickett wants a fish all he has to do is to take a pick, his pick and pick it out.

Congressman Grosvenor, of Ohio, denies the report that he is to be pitted against Tom Reed for the Speakership of the next House of Representatives. He has no idea of tackling as heavy a weight as Tom.

It is said that 7,000 out of the 15,000 dock strikers in Hamburg are now being fed by contributions from the fund they have on hand. These strikes are rough ways of settling grievances and they seldom settle satisfactorily.

A Lexington, Ky., man has some old script on which he bases a claim for Chicago dirt, with nice houses on it, about 120 acres, valued at from $12,000,000 to $15,000,000. He would probably compromise for less than half of that.

That was a costly stroll that Li Hung Chang took in the Imperial park. It cost him $36,400, which is the old fellow's yearly stipend from the Government. The next time he will go around.

New Carpets and Rugs at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

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TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS.

The STAR will be delivered by carrier at any point in the city at 12 cents per week, or 45 cents per month.

Clearfield, Pa., is bragging about a girl baby born in that town last week which weighed one ounce less than a pound. It was dressed in doll clothes, and an extemporized cradle was made from a doll carriage. The dispatch, in announcing this important event in the social life of Clearfield, informs us that the little Miss "coughs, sneezes and cries just like other babies."

What becomes of the pins? has never been satisfactorily answered, nor is it satisfactorily answered what has become of the 16,000,000 of old copper cents that have disappeared. Occasionally one of them is dug up, rubbed up and identified. Three millions of 2-cent pieces have also disappeared, and three millions of 3-cent nickel pieces, of which we occasionally see one.

An automatic gallows was tried on a Connecticut man at Hartford last Thursday, who was sentenced to death for the murder of a woman who refused to marry him. It worked satisfactorily, at least the gentleman who performed on it made no complaint before he was buried.

At one of his meetings in New York the other day Mr. Moody read a letter from a penitent who wrote that he was "a liar, a thief, and even worse." He must have been in the habit of voting the Republican ticket.

W. D. McHugh, of Omaha, who was appointed recently by President Cleveland as a Judge in Oklahoma, was once a shoemaker. A transfer from one bench to another as it were. He was a good shoemaker and it is predicted will make a good Judge.

When Mr. Cleveland retires from office he will have three homes, one near Washington, one at Buzzard's Bay, and one, recently purchased, in Princeton, N. J. When he became President first time he didn't have a shanty.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

D. O'CONNOR—For rent.
NOTICE—Absolutely free.
PALACE BAKERY—A card.
MERCER & EVANS—Shoes.
SOL. BEAR—Mattings, Rugs.
J. H. REHDER & CO.—Toys.
PETERSON & RULFS—Rubbers.
JAS D. NUTT—Hot-water bags.
W. E. SPRINGER & CO.—Stoves.
THOS EVANS—Foreclosure sale.
N. B. DAWSON—Cabbage plants.
W. B. COOPER—New firecrackers.
C. W. POLVOGT & CO.—Dress goods.
BRADDY & GAYLORD—Get there.
OPERA HOUSE—"A Midnight Bell.
J. D. BELLAMY, JR.—Sale of stock.
KIRMESS—Spectacular presentation.
OPERA HOUSE—"The Pious Fraud."
G. R. FRENCH & SON—Shoes for boys.
CLARENDON S. & L. A.—Save money.
HALL & PEARSALL—Canned goods.
ATLANTIC NAT'L BANK—Money to loan.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. G. W. P. Batte, of Charlotte, is in the city.

— Mr. R. C. Barrett, of Florence, S. C., was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. R. W. Grady, of Burgaw, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. R. Durrett, of Richmond, Va., was one of last night's arrivals.

— Mr. A. G. Holmes, of Council's Station, came to the city Friday and returned yesterday.

— Miss Laura Weeks, of Southport, daughter of Mr. Wm. Weeks, was in the city yesterday.

— Dr. K. J. Powers, who has many friends in Wilmington, is reported quite sick at his home in Pender.

— Mr. Adam Lockhart, father of Hon. James A. Lockhart, is said to be dangerously sick at his home in Anson county.

— Mr. M. Ferguson, Southport; Mr. Will C. Dodson, N. C., and Mr. Henry Grimes, N. C., were among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

Death of William Torpy.

The STAR regrets to announce the death of Mr. William P. Torpy, which occurred at 9.40 o'clock this morning. He had been sick a number of years, and bore his sufferings with great fortitude. He was a son of Mr. Thos. Torpy, an old and respected citizen, who came to this country from Ireland many years ago. The deceased was a young man of excellent character, and had many friends. The funeral will take place from St. Thomas' Catholic Church to-morrow.

The best $1.00 Kid Glove in the city for sale at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s †

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— See fourth page for other new advertisements.

— The visiting Republican notables took their departure yesterday by way of the C. F. & Y. V.

— The weather yesterday was "just lovely," and one of the results was a marked improvement in the retail trade of Wilmington.

— Mr. J. R. Windley reported at the City Hall last night that his bicycle had been stolen from the sidewalk in front of Braddy & Gaylord's store.

— The old Board of Commissioners of New Hanover county will meet in regular session to-morrow and hand over the county government to their successors.

— Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son cleared yesterday the British steamship *Roxby* for Liverpool, Eng., with cargo of 9,983 bales cotton, weighing 4,819,829 pounds and valued at $361,480.

— Mr. J. V. B. Metts has engaged in the brokerage business with his father, Capt. Jas. I. Metts, and Mr. Robt. Fowler has the position formerly held by Mr. Metts with Col. Walker Taylor.

— The editor of the Pender *Star* has received "a box of very fine strawberries fresh from the patch of Mr. Bruce Taylor, of Magnolia." They would have sold for about $3.00 in New York.

— Mr. Sol. Bear notifies the public through the STAR that he has a full line of mattings, rugs, carpets, &c., which must be sold in thirty days. He offers special inducements in prices. His dry goods department is now in the store No. 18 Market street.

— The STAR knew all about the tragic death of the unfortunate young North Carolinian in Galveston. His name was not "Sullivan"; and we had not only the correct name, but other details. At the urgent request, however, of relatives of the deceased, and on the assurance that no other paper would mention it, we made no reference to it in the STAR.

— The STAR is informed that a new schedule is contemplated on the Seaboard Air Line which will affect Wilmington by bringing the day train in an hour or two earlier than now, the outward mail train leaving a little later. Changes will also make a good schedule to Northern points. The through freight with coach attached, will probably leave later in the evening and arrive earlier in the morning. A local train will also be put on in the day, which will also carry a coach for passengers.

The Daily Newspaper.

If a man is not able to take a daily paper he ought not to take it. But if he is able to take it and does not because he doesn't want to spend the money, he is practicing false economy. In scarcely any other, unless it be for the necessities of life, can the same amount of money be invested so profitably as for a newspaper that furnishes the news daily. The reader of such a paper has at his command every day all the facilities for news gathering which makes the paper of to day the complete record of yesterday; gains an acquaintance with men and manners which is sure to be of practical service, and lays by a store of general information that is to be had in no other way.

The foregoing, while true in a general way about all daily papers, applies most particularly to THE MORNING STAR.

The STAR prints the latest telegraphic news, the best local news, reliable market reports, excellent short stories, and the choicest miscellaneous matter.

The price of the STAR is $5.00, being absolutely the cheapest daily of its class in North Carolina.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—273 bales cotton, 5 bbls rosin, 16 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—235 bales cotton, 19 casks spirits turpentine, 90 bbls rosin, 7 bbls tar, 9 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—6 bales cotton.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—11 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine, 171 bbls rosin, 14 bbls tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—42 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 5bbls rosin.

Schooner William—40 casks spirits turpentine, 131 bbls rosin.

Total receipts—Cotton, 567 bales; spirits turpentine, 74 casks; rosin, 899 bbls; tar, 37 bbls; crude turpentine, 9 bbls.

Are You Out of Work?

The STAR will help you get a position absolutely free of all cost, or if you want some one to work for you the STAR will charge you nothing for the advertisement. This offer is made to help those out of employment, and does not apply to "boarders wanted," "houses for rent," or any class of commercial advertising. The name of the advertiser must positively accompany every advertisement. Your name will not be published, however, unless you desire it. See announcement in another column for full particulars.

Changes On The Star.

Mr. Robert W. Haywood, who has been travelling for the STAR for several months, has been assigned to duty on our local and business staff.

Mr. John G. Marshall, who has been with the STAR a number of years, succeeds Mr. Haywood as travelling agent and correspondent.

We commend these young men to our friends wherever duty may call them, and will appreciate any courtesies that may be shown them.

The largest stock of Comforts and Blankets in the city are shown at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

COUNTY AFFAIRS.

The New Board of Commissioners Will Take Office To-morrow—Magistrates-Elect Who Have Not Complied with the Law—A List of Those Who Have Properly Qualified.

The new Board of Commissioners of New Hanover county will meet to-morrow afternoon at the Court House. All the members of the board are Republicans, Messrs. F. W. Foster, Frank J. Dempsey and Jordan Nixon (col.)

The following newly elected county officers have qualified before the Clerk of the Superior Court, and filed a sworn statement of the expenses incurred for their election in the last campaign, and will enter upon their duties to-morrow:

Sheriff—Elijah Hewlett.
Treasurer—Stacey VanAmtinge.
Register of Deeds—Chas. W. Norwood (col.).
Coroner—David Jacobs (col.).
Constable—Buck C. Wright (col.).
Surveyor—J. H. McRee.

All the above are Republicans, except Mr. McRee, who is a staunch Democrat.

The following, elected magistrates for Wilmington Township, have qualified and filed sworn statements of their expenses: Thomas Rivers, Jr., R. McN. Williams, Andrew J. Hewlett, Godfrey Willis, Jr., Abel S. Robinson, Jno. R. Melton, Aaron Lockamy, J. P. Bowen, Thomas Smith, Jno. G. Norwood, Elijah Lane, A. J. Allen, Jno. H. Shaw, Lewis H. Bryant, R. F. Gore and J. H. Harper.

The following magistrates-elect qualified, but failed to file their accounts, viz: Major Loftin, Robt. H. Lane, Jas. M. Jenkins, Thomas Brinkley, L. J. King, B. J. Hooper and Chas. A. Foreman.

Chapter 159, section 73 of the State Laws, 1895, requires every candidate who is voted for at any public election held within the State, to file a sworn statement within ten days after election, of the moneys spent or contributed by him, directly or indirectly in aid of his election, and if he shall neglect or refuse to do so, he shall forfeit his office.

Chas. Sullivan, magistrate-elect, qualified, but did not file his statement of expenses until three days after the time allowed by law.

Peyton Young, magistrate-elect, has neither qualified nor filed his statement of expenses.

Several magistrates-elect from other township in the counties have failed to file their statement of expenses.

The following magistrates-elect have qualified and filed statements:

Cape Fear Township—Jno. W. Kerr, R. J. Jordan, C. H. Heide and George Grady.

Harnett Township—W. T. Rogers and E. L. Ennett.

Federal Point Township—H. B. Williams, Samuel M. Wiggins and Jno. F. Keyes.

Masonboro Township—G. W. Rogers and Jno. P. Walton.

OPERA HOUSE.

Hoyt's Great Comedy, "A Midnight Bell," Thursday Evening.

There will come to the Opera House next Thursday evening, December 10, a comedian who is almost as familiar to the theatre-goers of America as the Star Spangled Banner—Digby Bell. This famous comedian will present for the first time in this city, Hoyt's great comedy, "A Midnight Bell." There are not many who in the past have not heard of the Digby Bell Opera Company. Mr. Bell is one of the leading comedians on the stage to-day, having played leading roles in the operas "The Black Hussar," "Chimes of Normandy," "Mikado," "Mancotte," etc. Among his associates of the past can be enumerated many artists who have become successful comic opera stars, notably Francis Wilson, DeWolf Hoffer, Jeff D'Anglis, Lillian Russell and others. Theatre goers of this city should not miss the opportunity of seeing this company, among whom is also numbered Laura Joyce Bell, the eminent contralto.

"A Midnight Bell" is replete with brilliant wit, overflowing with side-splitting comedy, and withal is a strong and most interesting story of love and intrigue in New England.

Of the author of the piece nothing remains to be said, for Mr. Chas. Hoyt is too well known as a dramatist, and his "A Milk White Flag," which appeared here about two weeks ago, is remembered with a keen sense of pleasure.

Seats on sale at Gerken's Wednesday.

Prang's Holiday Publications.

As fine art publishers the house of L. Prang & Co., Boston, Mass., is without a rival in this country. Their holiday publications for the season of 1896-1897 have been issued, and they surpass all previous issues in beauty of design and mechanical execution. They comprise Christmas cards, books and booklets, artistic reproductions of photographs, pencil sketches, outline pictures, etc. Their calendars are gems of beauty. Send for catalogue and price-list.

Clarendon S. and L. Association.

Mr. J. M. Bunting, Secretary, announces that a new series of stock in the Clarendon Savings and Loan Association will be opened December 19th. This is one of the best financial institutions in Wilmington. The directory is composed of eleven of our most capable business men, and the affairs of the "Clarendon" are managed carefully and economically.

— Mr. Joseph McLaurin, of Point Caswell, reached here by steamer last evening. He called at the STAR office and presented us with one of his patent dusting brushes.

On or about Thursday, December 3d, all my friends and customers can find me on Princess street between Front and Second, next door east of D. O'Connor's office. C. M. HARRIS
News Dealer.

Books and games for sale at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. See them. †

ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONERS.

Two Commissioners Will Be Added to the New Board and Under the Law They Will Be Democrats.

Mr. H. McL. Green, the wide-awake Chairman of the County Democratic Executive Committee, was canvassing yesterday for signatures to an application to be presented to Judge E. T. Boykin for the appointment of two additional Commissioners for New Hanover county. These appointments will be made under a law passed by the Fusion Legislature, and which, by the way, Col. F. W. Foster, one of the recently elected Republican Commissioners, pronounces one of the best laws ever passed by a Legislative body.

The law has been twice printed in full in the STAR since the election; but it may be briefly stated here that the basis of the application to the Judge is (1) that five electors must make affidavit before the Clerk of the Superior Court that they verily believe that the business of the county, if left entirely in the hands of the three Commissioners elected by the people, will be improperly managed. And (2) that the petition or application must be signed by two hundred electors of the county, one-half of whom shall be freeholders.

As the law requires that the appointees of the Judge shall be of a political party different from that of a majority of the Board of Commissioners, it necessarily follows that the two additional Commissioners for New Hanover county will be Democrats; and it is generally understood that Col. Roger Moore and Mr. J. G. L. Gieschen, two of the candidates on the Democratic ticket at the recent election, will be appointed. The new Board will then be constituted as follows: Roger Moore and J. G. L. Gieschen (Democrats), Wilmington; F. W. Foster (Republican), Wilmington; F. J. Dempsey (Populist), Cape Fear township; Jordan Nixon (colored Republican), Harnett township.

Yesterday forenoon Chairman Green had secured the signatures of about 125 electors, and will have the requisite number to-morrow. There is no difficulty whatever in obtaining signatures.

The STAR does not understand that the application for two additional Commissioners is intended, or can be construed, as a reflection on the honesty of any of the three Commissioners whose term of office begins to-morrow. On the contrary, it is simply a question as to the business qualifications of a majority of the Board.

Four days after the election the STAR urged the Democrats to "take immediate steps for the appointment of two additional County Commissioners, under the law providing for such appointment." It is an important matter, especially to the Eastern counties, and many of these counties are now availing themselves of the advantages offered by the new law.

THE KIRMESS

To be Given at the Opera House Next Week.

Kirmess! Kirmess! Kirmess! The town is ringing with it, people are flocking to the rehearsals, only to be turned away, finding all the places filled. Only one week more and the rehearsals will be over with. The City Hall is the scene of action, and if a privileged person is allowed to peep, he will see a very busy scene. Mr. Macdonnell has marked on the floor the dimensions of the stage, and the dancers are taxing their imaginations with the idea that the stage is a reality, and the foot-lights only separate them from an audience. Demure little misses can be seen brandishing tomahawks, and dancing to the quick measures of the Indian dance. Wee tots are trying to manage both fan and umbrella in the solemn Japanese salutations. The little Egyptians wave their plumed fans, and the gay tinkle of the tambourine can be heard from afar when the Gipsy girls are taking the different steps. This is in the daytime. At night the Ghost dancers are the fitting participants, and one can imagine the weird spectacle as they dance around the camp fires. Gretel in her wooden shoes and dainty cap, dances with Hansel in true German, style. The Swedes, with their sleigh-bells, surely put one in mind of Christmas and Kriss Kringle. The stately Greeks, picturesque Nile worshippers and quaint Japs all have their turn; and it is hard to say which is more bewitching, the Japanese Court ladies laughing behind their fans or the brilliant senoritas casting glances between the clicking of the castanets.

This is only at the rehearsals and much is left to the imagination. But when these are over and the Kirmess is really in full swing, Wilmington will be truly proud of her work.

The brilliant scenic effects, with the many dancers, will make one forget that the participants are amateurs—the skilled management of Mr. Macdonnell will transform them for the time and the spectator will long remember the brilliant Kirmess, with thanks to the ladies who have so successfully aided Mr. Macdonnell in his work.

To the Pacific Coast.

The Seaboard Air Line has placed on sale all the year round tourist tickets to Pacific coast points and return, via circuitous routes. For these tickets the rate from Wilmington to San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego, Cal., is: Going via New Orleans, Vicksburg or Memphis, returning via St. Louis or vice versa, via direct routes $144.65. Going via New Orleans, Vicksburg or Memphis, returning via Missouri River and Chicago, or vice versa, $154.25. Going via New Orleans, Vicksburg or Memphis, returning via Portland, Oregon, and St. Louis, or vice versa, $158.15. Going via New Orleans, Vicksburg or Memphis, returning via Portland, Oregon, and Chicago, $167.75. Tickets limited to nine months from date of sale.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

Down Pillows, Silks and Silkolines at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

RICH FINDS OF GOLD

IN GRANVILLE AND VANCE COUNTIES.

Deputy Collector E. A. Moffitt Killed by Illicit Distillers in Rowan County—N. B. Broughton Will Contest Jim Young's Election to the Legislature—Collision on the Southern R. R.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 5.

The people of Granville and Vance counties have the gold fever. Six months ago quartz richly imbedded with gold was discovered on a tract of hilly rugged land, ten miles in length and five miles in width, situated between two streams in the counties of Granville and Vance. Since then the richness of the find has rapidly spread and miners are arriving from all parts of the country every week. The strata of quartz is said to yield handsomely. Only two weeks ago complete mining machinery was located in a mine by an Englishman named Horne. Horne gave a $30,000 option, payable next March on a small tract of land. Senator Stewart has a representative at the hills named Harris, who took an option on sixty acres for $80,000. The mines are forty-four miles from Raleigh. A farmer by the name of Wright brought some quartz here to be examined.

Mr. N. B. Broughton, the Democratic candidate for the Legislature, who ran against Jim Young, has decided to contest the seat and to day filed his papers. Young was awarded the certificate of election, receiving eighteen more votes than Broughton, according to the count.

G. Bent. Alford, the gold bug candidate for Congress, who received twenty-eight votes, was here to-day and stated that he would attend the Indianapolis convention.

All the bets made in this city are in favor of Pritchard for the Senate. A certain gentleman, who won nearly a thousand on the recent election, says he will take all comers at even money on Pritchard.

E. A. Moffitt, one of the most alert revenue deputies in the State, was killed near Asheboro yesterday while raiding a still. Mr. Moffitt was the father of E. A. Moffitt, of this city, editor of the *Christian Sun*.

A head-on collision occurred on the Southern to-day, near Chapel Hill. The fast freight and an extra ran together. The front parts of the engines were battered.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, Fourth street, above Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim, pastor—Morning service at 11 o'clock; evening service at 7.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 3.30 p. m. All seats free, and every person cordially invited.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, corner of Market and Sixth streets, Rev. K. Boldt, pastor—Second Sunday in Advent: English service at 11 a. m.; German service at 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school at 3.30 p. m. All seats free.

Services in St. John's church to-day at 11 a. m. and 4.30 p. m. Sunday school at 3.30 p. m.

Services in Seamen's Bethel to-day at 3 p. m. by Rev. Dr. Carmichael. All are welcome.

St. Paul's church, Fourth and Orange streets, Rev. F. N. Skinner rector. Services to-day, second Sunday in Advent, at 11 a. m. (Holy Communion) and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 3.30 p. m. All seats free.

Rev. Walter Lewis will preach at Bladen Street M. E. church to-day at 11 a. m.

COLORED CHURCHES.

St. Stephen's A. M. E. church, corner Fifth and Red Cross streets, Rev. E. I. Gregg pastor. Preaching to-day at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. by the pastor. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at 3 p. m. Evening subject: "The Songs of the Soul."

The revival at the First Baptist church, corner Fifth and Campbell streets, is still going on with great success. Preaching to-day at 11 a. m. by Rev. Steve Atkinson; the Lord's Supper at 3 p. m., and at 8 p. m. Rev. Atkinson will preach his farewell sermon. Strangers and friends are welcome. Joseph Spells, pastor.

The City Markets.

Supplies in the city markets yesterday were about the average, and prices unchanged. Owing probably to bad weather shipments of poultry from the country were light, and dealers had an opportunity to work off over-abundant stocks that had accumulated on their hands. Eggs are scarce and the demand has advanced prices, dealers asking 20 to 22 cents per dozen.

The ruling prices at Front street market last evening were:

Fresh meats—Beef 8 to 12½c. per pound; pork, 8 to 10c.; sausage, 10 to 12½c.

Poultry—Live fowls 25 to 30c.; chickens, 15 to 20c.; turkeys, 75c. to $1 00. Dressed fowls, 60c. per pair; turkeys, 10 to 15c. per pound.

Vegetables—Sweet potatoes, 15c. per peck; Irish potatoes, 5c. per quart; turnips, 5c. per bunch; cabbage, 10c. per head; onions, 5c. per quart; peas, 5c. per quart; celery 25c. per bunch.

City Court.

Leander Holmes, Rena Pearsall and Rose Hill (all colored) were arraigned before Mayor Harriss yesterday, charged with an affray.

Rose Hill and Rena Pearsall figured quite extensively in the Bonham inquest last Monday. It was upon Rena Pearsall's statement that the Hill woman was arrested on suspicion, which resulted in the difficulty Friday night.

Rena Pearsall and Leander Holmes were discharged, and Rose Hill fined $5 and cost, with a warning from the Mayor to leave town.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

All shades Crepon, suitables for "Kirmess" costumes, at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

Ladies' Capes and Jackets for cold weather at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

THE MORNING STAR.

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FIRE ON FRONT STREET.

Mr. John E. Pigford's Residence Burned—Narrow Escape of the Inmates—Very Little of the Furniture or Other Effects Saved.

Fire broke out about two o'clock this morning in the two-story frame building on North Front street, between Chesnut and Grace, occupied by Mr. John E. Pigford. The family and a number of boarders, some twelve or fifteen persons in all, had narrow escapes and saved very little of their effects. Mr. June Love, one of the boarders, finding his escape by the stairway cut off, climbed down a tree near the window of his room. Mr. Patterson, another boarder, escaped with little of his effects beyond his night clothes.

The fire broke out in a two-story annex to the building, used as a kitchen. A colored woman employed as a cook by the family occupied a room above the kitchen and it was not known whether she had escaped or not.

Mr. Pigford saved only the furniture in the two front rooms of the house. He had some insurance, but the amount could not be learned.

The building, recently part of the estate of the late Dr. W. E. Freeman, is owned by Mr. D. L. Gore and insured.

Mr. and Mrs. Wrightson, boarders in the house, saved very little of their effects and lost some valuable jewelry and silver.

Mr. Pigford and family found ready refuge with Mr. A. K. Holden and wife, who occupy part of the Carolina Central railroad building opposite the burned house.

HOMICIDE IN BLADEN.

Steve Johnson, the Ferryman at Elizabethtown Shot and Killed by A. J. Perry—The Murderer Escaped.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

ELIZABETHTOWN, N. C., Dec. 5.—Steve Johnson, colored, Cape Fear river ferryman here, was shot by A. J. Perry, white, yesterday. The trouble was caused by whiskey. Perry proceeded to fill up yesterday, and then in the company of two of his brothers went to collect rent from a tenant. The man ran from them, fearing they would harm him; ran toward the ferry and escaped his pursuers. Perry in pursuit ran down to the ferryman and ordered him to arrest the person they were pursuing. Johnson said that he was not an officer and turned away. Perry immediately began firing into his back, three balls taking effect. Johnson fell, and Perry then put his foot on him and tried to shoot him in the head, but all the cartridges in his pistol had been used.

Immediately after the shooting Perry ran to the court house, went in and is supposed to have loaded his pistol. He then mounted his mule and escaped. Johnson died this evening. The brothers of Perry are under arrest and heavily guarded in the jail here, because the negroes are very much excited over the murder.

"A PIOUS FRAUD."

The Entertainment to be Given Next Friday in Aid of the Shelter of the Silver Cross.

"Teach me to feel another's griefs,
"Another's woe to see."

So sang Pope, and the sentiment merits the plaudits of civilized man. In no way is a fellow-feeling better illustrated than in the practical charities which are maintained wherever the gospel of love prevails. Says a writer: "A love of the human species is a very vague and indefinite kind of virtue, sitting very easily on a man, not confining his action at all," which would seem to be a plea for systematic charity, and we do note daily a spontaneity and concert of action on the part of generous benefactors and benefactresses tending to the ameliorations of the condition of those so much less favored with the "comforts and conveniences of life." Many benevolent organizations there are in this goodly city of ours, all having similar purposes and like aims, unselfish in their devotion to the betterment of suffering or needy humanity, and they should each and every one receive grateful and substantial recognition. Harmoniously they labor together and in due time public attention is directed to any specific object they may have in view, and at no time should their general work be forgotten.

Just now the ladies composing the Ministering Circle of the King's Daughters are endeavoring to raise funds for their work, and to this end there will be presented under their auspices on Friday night, December 11th, by among the best of the amateur histrionic talent of this city a wholesome comedy, entitled "A Pious Fraud." The piece selected is sparkling with humor and filled with ludicrous situations; it will please beyond a doubt.

Tickets on sale at J. H. Rehder's, L. B. Sasser's and H. J. Gerken's. Advance sale of seats will commence at 7.30 a. m. Wednesday morning at Gerken's. Fifty cents to any part of the house.

MARRIED.

DeROSSET-BELLAMY—At the First Presbyterian Church, Wednesday, November 18th, 1896, by the Rev. F. H. Hoge, D. D., ROBERT COWAN DeROSSET and ELLEN DOUGLAS, daughter of Marsden Bellamy, Esq., all of this city.

DIED.

TORPY—In this city this (Sunday) morning at 9.40 o'clock, Mr. W. P. TORPY, aged 34 years, 10 months and 7 days.

The funeral will take place to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock, from St. Thomas' Catholic Church. Interment in Oakdale Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend.

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By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, DEC. 6, 1896

OUR TWO GREAT PRODUCTS.

The two great exportable products of the United States are wheat and cotton, one the staple of the Northwest the other of the South. It has been some years since either of these has paid the producer much, and it is very doubtful if the years will ever come when they will pay him as much as they have in the years preceding the decline which sent wheat down to fifty cents a bushel and cotton to six cents a pound. The decline in prices the world over began with the demonetization of silver which added to the purchasing power of gold, and was further contributed to by the increased acreage of both crops in this and in other countries, notably so in the case of wheat, which has felt most the effect of this.

Both the American wheat and cotton growers have competitors to contend against now that they did not have twenty years ago and with whom they must continue to compete, if they continue to grow wheat and cotton. Within the past twenty-five years the acreage of wheat has been vastly increased in this country and in Canada by the opening up of new territory, where the land was cheap and was eagerly taken up by people who were anxious to provide themselves with homes. The rapid construction of railroads facilitated and very materially contributed to this, for thus avenues to the markets were opened for the products of these new farms, to which thousands of immigrants flocked—and thousands of farmers from the older States, where the lands had ceased to be as productive as they once were.

And so was the acreage of cotton immensely increased by the planters themselves, and by the renters and their workers—former slaves, most of them, who know little or nothing about raising anything but cotton. Our planters and the renters had gotten into the cotton rut, and they haven't yet entirely gotten out of it. But they will have to get out of it, and so will the wheat grower have to get out of the wheat rut, which has been cut about as deep as the cotton rut.

We find in a bulletin issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture some interesting and instructive figures of the principal wheat growing countries in the world, which shows what the American wheat-grower has to contend against. It gives a table showing the annual production of these countries for periods of five years from 1881 to 1895, as follows:

	Average Annual Products.		
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
Countries.	1881-85.	1886-1890.	1891-1895.
United States...	435,685,744	443,847,400	490,346,218
Canada...	39,200,000	36,294,838	41,4 5,800
Argentina...	13,000,000	28,300,000	61,600,600
Uruguay...			6 148,000
Russia...	294,106,611	288,400,983	371,408,000
India...	269,721,263	245,687,288	2 4,900,000

This table shows a large increase in all but one of these countries while two are added which raised very little wheat and exported scarcely any fifteen years ago.

These figures also show an aggregate gain per annum for the last five years over the first five of 153,-996,493 bushels, the only country showing a decrease being India, where the mode of culture is primitive and the soil much reduced in fertility. Our own country would have shown a decrease also if it were not for the increased acreage and the balancing up of the exhausted lands by the opening up of fresh lands.

This is one of the things that the American wheat grower must guard against if he expects to hold his own against the competition by which he is now confronted and will be more so as new wheat areas are opened in Central America, in Southern Siberia, and in British Columbia. The construction of railways will do this in each of these countries, in Central America and in British Columbia, as the trans-Siberian railway is doing for Southern Siberia. The average wheat yield of the United States is now about twelve bushels to the acre, which would leave the grower in bad shape even with wheat at a dollar a bushel, if he had to depend on that alone. If he would succeed he must keep his land at the twenty-five or thirty bushels per acre it once bore, or bring it back to that by sensible, business-like farming. He cannot expect with land annually growing poorer and less productive to compete with farmers who have rich land, plenty of it, as cheap or cheaper than his, and cheap labor, so cheap that it practically costs nothing.

The American farmer has had and still has the advantage of labor-saving machinery, which has enabled him to cultivate more acres than his competitors, which offsets some of the advantages they have. He cultivates—if it can be called cultivating—more acres than his foreign competitors can, and thus he can produce more grain in the aggregate, although not so much per acre; but he may not have this advantage always, for in time this labor-saving machinery will find its way into those countries as it is beginning to do already, and then perhaps the wheat growers of those countries may do precisely what the American wheat grower has done—depend upon a large number of acres more than upon a smaller number better cultivated.

High priced wheat has been the dream of the American farmer, but the day of high priced wheat as a steady thing has passed, and it need only be expected under extraordinary conditions, such as short crops, famines or war that would reduce the output of some of the principal producing countries.

In the long run perhaps it would be better for the American farmer, in view of the competition that he must contend against, that prices do not run very high, for that would reduce consumption by making it the more difficult for consumers to buy. The greater the consumption the better for the grower, and it is to his interest that the consumption be encouraged by reasonable prices, and for him the aim should be to reduce the cost of production to a figure that would leave him a reasonable profit even at a low selling price. To this it must come at last and the sooner the American wheat grower recognizes this fact the sooner he will put himself in a position to hold his own against foreign competition.

MINOR MENTION.

There has been much said and written about the enormous pension expenditures of this country, but all that has been said and written has had no more effect in keeping them down than their whistling would to avert a storm. The pension list has continued to grow until it numbers nearly a million of names and the expenditures have continued to grow until they have reached $140,000,-000. There is no assurance that they may not go higher than this, although it is the opinion of some that the maximum has been reached. There is politics in pensions; the whole country is taxed to pay them, but nine tenths of the money goes to the North, and hence while there is politics in pensions, for the politicians there is money in them for the section in which the nine-tenths are distributed. It is a party question only in the sense that the Republican party claims to be the especial guardian of the pensioner and takes pride in the most extravagant pension legislation, while every party declares in its platform for "liberal pensions." There never was a move made in Congress to cut them down, even to the extent of purging the lists of names that should not be there, which was not vigorously fought by the Republican "friends of the soldier," and but weakly defended by the "friends of reform," because, taking a political view, they were afraid of the soldier vote which has for years been a mighty factor in the elections in the North. Thus far within the past thirty one years the Government has paid over $2,000,-000,000 in pensions, within a few hundred millions of the highest notch of the interest bearing public debt, and the probabilities are that this sum will be doubled before we reach the end of it.

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The Legislature of Pennsylvania has appointed a committee to investigate the subject of convict labor and to report as to the best way to employ that labor without injury to legitimate industry. The State of North Carolina comes nearer doing this now than any State we know of, and her example has been followed by two or three other Southern States. North Carolina works the bulk of her convicts on farms leased by the State, some she hires to railroad companies which employ them in grading, etc., on new roads, and under the law some counties employ short term convicts in grading the county roads. The number kept within the penitentiary is comparatively small, mostly women and men who are not physically able to peform heavy manual labor. Working them on State farms does interfere, perhaps, with the farming industry in the neighborhood of the farms, but not enough to be of material importance, for the amount of stuff they put upon the market does not affect prices; but the way to employ convicts to get permanent benefit from their labor is to put them to road building, not in little squads here and there, but in numbers sufficient to be employed economically and systematically. A thousand convicts so employed continuously would in a few years give roads that would benefit in numerous ways, add immensely to the value of property, and thus increase the State's revenue from taxes.

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The lack of news from General Weyler is one of the best indications that he is not meeting with much success in his campaign against Maceo. If he had accomplished anything of material importance he would not be long in heralding it to the world, especially at this time when his success or failure may decide the issue between Spain and the Cubans. There will undoubtedly be a movement made during the coming session of Congress, which meets to-morrow, to recognize the independence of Cuba and it will have strong support, regardless of party lines. Weyler is said to have under his command in the island 200,000 men, and in his campaign against Maceo about 60,000, ten times as many men as the Spaniards say Maceo has, and yet with these 60,000 he has, as far as known, accomplished practically nothing. He has marched around hills, up hill and down hill, and has once or twice narrowly escaped falling into traps set for him by Maceo, who holds his position in the hills and does not seem to be a bit disturbed by the proximity of Weyler's forces. If Spain had any sense she would have compromised with the Cubans long ago. It is too late now.

One of the objections to and defects of the Raines law in New York is that it fails to define what a "meal" is. That isn't such an easy matter, by the way. What would make a meal for some persons wouldn't make an appetizer for others. We know a man who doesn't get fairly started on a square meal until he has embraced a dozen or so of eggs, and other things in proportion.

It comes from an "autnentic" Canton source that Mr. Hanna has been offered the Treasury portfolio, and it depends altogether on his say whether it will be Secretary Hanna, or some one else that he names. There's no news in that, for Mr. H. has had an cinch on that job prospectively ever since he took McKinley in hand and dead sure after the election.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— There is complaint that the West raises too much corn, just as the South is accused of growing too much cotton. Given better financial conditions, that sort of criticisms will come to an end.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— Senator Hill has had his teeth fixed. He says, however, that he has no intention of eating anybody at the short session, now about to begin. He has merely been getting into shape for a hard winter. Nevertheless, it is probably as well that Senator Hill has had his teeth fixed. Tillman is probably rougher now than at any other period of his life, and it is said he is going to Washington to do a forensic cannibal act with Senator Hill.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—— The *Evening Post* is in error when it says that: "If the Presidential electors were apportioned according to the number of votes cast, Mr. McKinley would have 315 and Mr. Bryan 132 electoral votes." As Bryan received an aggregate vote of 6,344,463 and McKinley 7,053,102, and as the total number of electoral votes is 447, an operation in simple division shows that, were the popular vote taken as the basis of electoral votes, Bryan would have 210, instead of 172, as at present, and McKinley only 237, instead of 275.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— "Git a mornin' pa-a-per!" yelled the newsboy. "All 'bout the battleship Texas not sinkin' yisterday!"—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "We girls are getting up a secret society of our own," said Lulu.

"Indeed; what's the object?" said George.

"I don't know yet; but I'll tell you all about it after I'm initiated."—*Tit Bits.*

— "Della, don't you feel bad about separating from your husband?"

"Oh, horrible, Julia; you see I have his name embroidered all over my autograph pillow."—*Chicago Record.*

— Papa—"Well, Billy, what are you the most thankful for to day?"

Billy—"I don't know if I'm thankfulest 'cos I ain't a girl or 'cos I ain't a turkey."—*Harper's Bazar.*

— Bad Either Way—"Oh, dear! I wish I knew what to do about Charley!"

"What do you mean?"

"If I tell him I love him, I'm afraid it will make him conceited; and if I don't tell him, I'm afraid he'll never find it out!"—*Puck.*

—"Yoh wants ter be sho' yoh gits t'ings in de right place," said Uncle Eben. "De funnies' story dat eber was ain' gwineter be 'preciated ef yoh stops in de middle o' kyahvin' de tu'ky ter tell it."—*Wash Star.*

— The following was copied from a notice posted on a building: "Notice —Tenants should be careful not to throw cigars or lighted matches about. Otherwise they may set fire to the building and oblige John Blazer, proprietor." —*Tit-Bits.*

Appointments for Visitation by Bishop the of East Carolina.

December 6, Sunday, 2d in Advent, M. P., Lenoir county, Holy Innocents.

December 6, Sunday, 2d in Advent, E. P., Kinston, S. Mary's.

December 8, Tuesday, E. P., Trenton, Grace.

December 9, Wednesday, Com., Trenton, Grace.

December 13 Sunday, 3rd in Advent, M. P., Snow Hill, S. Barnabas.

December 15, Tuesday, M. P., Farmville, Emanuel.

December 16 Wednesday, E. P., Hamilton, S. Martin's.

December 17, Thursday, Com., Hamilton, S. Martin's.

December 18, Friday, E. P., Winston, S. John's.

December 19, Saturday, Com., Winston, S. John's.

December 20, Sunday, 4th in Advent, Murfreesboro, S. Barnabas.

December 25 Christmas, Woodville, Bertie county, Grace.

December 27, Sunday after Christmas, M. P., Roxobel, S. Mark's.

M. P.—Morning Prayer.

E. P.—Evening Prayer.

Com.—Communion.

At all Morning Services the Holy Communion.

The Vestries will please be ready to meet the Bishop.

The Children will please be prepared to be catechized.

Offerings for Diocesan Missions unless otherwise announced.

APPOINTMENTS.

Wilmington District—W. S. Rone, P. E.

Whiteville and Fair Bluff, Whiteville, Nov. 22, 23.

Bladen circuit, Antioch, Nov. 28, 29.

Wilmington, Bladen Street, Dec. 8.

Onslow circuit Tabernacle, Dec. 5, 6

The best way to cure disease is to drive it from the system by purifying the blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla. †

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors she had Consumption, and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her, and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 139 Florida St., San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at R. R. BELLAMY's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and $1.00. †

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Mrs. Jennie Haywood, widow of the late D. J. Haywood, died Friday morning at her residence on the east side of the river.

— Elizabeth City *Economist*: The sad attempt of Mr. Pierce Sykes on Friday to commit suicide did not result fatally and we are glad to hear that the physicians in attendance are hopeful of his recovery.

— Wilson *Times*: The amount of tobacco already sold on the Wilson warehouse floors, amounting to 6,121,193 pounds beats all her previous records. Indications point to the selling of an unprecedented amount for the year, unequaled by that of any market east of Winston.

— Tarboro *Southerner*: Thursday night, Brinkly Downing, a negro Democrat of No. 13 township, was waylaid on the road by five men, who took off his coat and whipped him because he was a Democrat. Brinkly Downing has been a Democrat for many years, and has often been abused and maltreated because of his political faith.

— Winston *Sentinel*: Those who have observed, notice the fact that there is a dirth of water in our streams for the time of year. The streams in Wilkes county probably lack one third of conveying the amount of water they did six years ago at this season of the year, says the *Chronicle*. It is very noticeable in the Yadkin, the beautiful stream to which the others are tributaries. A few falls ago there was one third more water in the Yadkin at this season, and some of the older people are of the opinion that they remember the time when twice the amount of water flowed into this stream as now does.

— Columbus *News*: In a few years in all probability our county will be dotted all other with artesian wells. Our Dothan correspondent reports one at Mr. W. A. Marlow's, and Sheriff Ward obtained one of very great force at his old home place last week. They can be bored at an average cost of about $50.

—— Manuel Wright, Esq., postmaster at Haddock, was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner H. B. Register last Monday, charged with buying merchandise with stamps and being short in his accounts. After several witnesses were examined the case was continued for December 21st in order to get two other witnesses. The defendant was placed under a $200 bond. We understand that the inspector says the shortage is small.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: The miners and prospectors, for some time engaged in gold mining near the road running from Oxford to Henderson, have gradually worked down Taub's creek and have now found gold near Kittrell. Mines are reported to have been found on the land of Mr. Rufus Grissom, Mr. Rogers and the Messrs. Bryant. They are believed to be rich. ——Chas. Fauchee was born in Chatham county, but left an orphan it seems. Having strayed into paths of evil he soon found himself in the Richmond, Va., reformatory. He is only about 14 years and six months old, but has a morose vindictive disposition. Under the charge of his keeper, Mr. Tinsley, he was working with an axe, and at an opportune moment struck Tinsley a blow, cutting him fearfully in the back of the skull, from which the victim died in a few hours. Tinsley left a wife and other relatives. The boy told his associates he would like to kill another one of the keepers.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— "Seek to be a blessing to every-one who comes for but a moment under your influence."

— What is defeat? Nothing but education; nothing but the first to do something better.—*Wendell Phillips.*

— A fault will attract more attention to us than a virtue. The man who has the "big head" often wears a small hat.

— God blesses you that you may be a blessing to others. Then He blesses you a second time for being a blessing to others. It is the talent that is used that is multiplied.—*Forward.*

— Our religion should share as great a part of our every day life as it shares of our Sabbath observance. Unless we recognize that our religion is for all days alike, we lose the joy of the Christian's life.—*Forward.*

— Whatever observance helps the mind to think right thoughts, in the right direction of living, is a help toward the right way of doing. Keep the mind attuned to religious thoughts, and you keep the attention drawn to your every religious obligation.

— Woman's gentleness, delicacy and modesty are living forces; and the girl who dresses like a man, who swaggers, uses slang and makes an exhibition of herself generally, is like a soldier who has thrown away his weapons before he goes into battle—she is defenceless against attack.

— I will place no value on anything I have or may possess, except in relation to the kingdom of Christ. If anything I have will advance the interests of that kingdom, it shall be given or kept, as by giving or keeping it I shall most promote the glory of Him to whom I owe all my hopes for time or eternity. May grace be given me to adhere to this! —*Dr. Livingstone*

Charing Cross.

In reading English history you will happen across numerous references to Charing Cross, but the chances are you will wonder if the allusion is to a real cross erected as a memorial or simply a crossroad. Charing Cross was formerly one of the noted landmarks of Britain, and its history is as follows: In November of the year 1291, "Good Queen Eleanor," as she was called by her loyal subjects, was called to join her husband, who was then making an expedition into Scotland. When Eleanor had gotten as far on her way as Grantham, she sickened and died.

The remains must, of course, be buried at Westminster, and the funeral cortege started in that direction.

During the time this royal funeral procession was slowly winding its weary way toward the capital thousands of people flocked to the wayside to get a glimpse of it. It was a great event in the history of the rural districts, and they did everything possible to make the solemn occasion a memorable one. Wherever the procession halted for the night or for other cause the people afterward set up a memorial. One of the longest stops was made at Charing, and subsequently a richly carved memorial cross was erected on the site of the camp. This was the Charing Cross of history. It stood until 1647, when the last vestige of it was destroyed during the civil wars of Charles I, the vandals who destroyed the relic claiming it to be a monument of popish superstition. Charing Cross as seen today was erected by the Southern Railway company in the year 1865.—St. Louis Republic.

New York, whose charter dates back to the year 1664, was the first incorporated city within the limits of the United States.

THE DESTROYING ANGEL.

Oh, the whuffyduff was the prettiest bird
That a toyshop ever knew,
With a great, long tail and with goose quill wings
And a glass eye good and true!
But his wings are gone, and his tail's pulled out,
And his head is twisted awry,
For the googoo has torn him limb from limb
And has swallowed the whuffyduff's eye.

The oogletydum had a wabbling head,
And a nice, round curving horn,
And a tail that would almost wag itself,
And a nose turned up in scorn.
But the oogletydum isn't scornful now—
He is meek and as sad as can be,
For the googoo has torn his horn short off
And has broken his tail in three.

The whankwhankwhank used to squeak her joy—
That is, when properly pressed—
With a voice that was hidden away somewhere
In the depths of her hollow breast.
But I wish you could see the hapless corpse
That is lying here on the bed.
Oh, the whankwhankwhank has a ghastly look
Since the googoo tore off her head!

And yet, in spite of her deadly work,
The googoo is dear to me.
Though she kill and maim, I shall love her still,
And her comrade in crime I'll be,
For when I turned and looked just now
Where she lay in her trundle bed
She reached me the wreck of the oogletydum,
And "Papa!" is what she said.
—Carl Smith in Ladies' Home Journal.

A DOG DISCIPLE OF WALTON.

He Went A-fishing For Rats, and Now He Has a Stub Tail.

Half of the Bay City wheelmen of San Francisco can vouch for the truth of this dog story, because Henry L. Day of 1012 Devisadero street, a Bay City man, is owner of the dog Tip, and is not given to romancing. Indeed, when he was telling the story in the Palace hotel grillroom even the waiter acknowledged that for a dog story it seemed about as near the gospel as a mortal might hope to hear.

Henry said, as he skillfully extracted the spinal from a brook trout:

"It's like this. My dog Tip is a black and tan and a beauty of his breed and nearly every one who has visited the house has commented on my shortsightedness in cutting off his tail, thereby detracting from the dog's beauty. But, gentlemen, I assure you, as I have had to repeat many times to others, I did not cut off that dog's tail. The rats chewed it off. No, thanks, I don't care for anything to drink. It was this way:

"My little brother Phil is of a mechanical turn and was forever fussing with the dog. One day I heard a sharp barking and lively scampering in the back yard, and, looking out of the window, saw the dog with a rat tied, as I thought, to his tail. Of course I hurried out, intent on relieving the dog and incidentally chastising my brother, who was rolling his fat body about the yard in paroxysms of delight. However, when I caught Tip I found that my brother had glued a fishhook to the dog's tail and baited it with cheese, and then stuck the tail in a rathole, and held the dog until he had a bite.

"Later, Tip got so he would whine around for a piece of cheese to be fastened to his tail, and then would go and sit with his caudal appendage stuck in a rathole until he caught one and would yank it out and unhook the rat without assistance. This became so common an occurrence that it failed to be a novelty with us.

"One day, when there was no one at leisure to put on the cheese, Tip went and poked his unprepared tail in the rathole and waited for a bite. Well, he got it, and when he got through yelping we noticed that he had a stub tail. After that he retired from the rat business—at least what he caught he went after in the legitimate style."—San Francisco Examiner.

It Shocked Him.

"For business reasons," said an Omaha man, "when I came this trip, I registered at a Brooklyn hotel and the experience that followed shook my nerves a bit. The clerk assigned me to a room that was large and light and in every way satisfactory. There was the usual hotel bureau at one side of the room, and as soon as my baggage came up I unpacked my clothes and laid them on the bed preparatory to putting them away in the bureau drawers. Two solid looking metal handles were attached to the top drawer, and as I grabbed them to draw it open the sensation that took possession of me made me suspect that I had received a stroke of paralysis. It was a fierce shock that snapped my chin down hard. I released the handles with difficulty and rang the bell for aid. As I sat there waiting for the hall boy I pinched my legs and arms and found that there was feeling in each. I could walk, and I came to the conclusion that if I had suffered from a stroke of paralysis it was a light one. The bell boy summoned the clerk, and when the latter saw the room that I was in and heard my story of the shock he laughed and then apologized. They had assigned me to a room frequently occupied by the proprietor's son, who was a mechanical genius. To protect the bureau drawer he had brought down the electric light wire and attached it to one of the metal handles. I got the full force of the current and my nerves weren't right during the rest of the day. I am very shy of eastern hotel bureaus now."—New York Sun.

The Earth's Three Motions.

The motion of the earth at the equator is equal to nearly 1,500 feet per second, and the earth has three motions—viz, the rotation on its axis in one day of 24 hours, the revolution around the sun in one year of 365 1-4 days, and a very slow gyratory motion at the poles. This last mentioned motion is a very peculiar one and has not long been known. The poles move around the outside of a line at right angles to the plane of the ecliptic, coinciding with the line of axle rotation once in 25,868 years.—St. Louis Republic.

In St. Louis.

Beggar — Please gimme a few cents, sir?

Citizen—No.

Beggar—I ain't had nothin but Mississippi water ter eat fer two days, sir.

Citizen—Well, what do you want? Porterhouse steak? — New York Press.

A house is never perfectly furnished for enjoyment unless there is a child in it rising 3 years old and a kitten rising 6 weeks.—Southey.

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Neuralgia

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6
Standard		@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℘ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℘ ℔	6	@	7
Shoulders ℘ ℔	6	@	6¼
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℘ ℔	4¼	@	4¾
Shoulders ℘ ℔		@	4½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@	1 40
New City, each		@	1 40
BEESWAX ℘ ℔	23	@	24
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℘ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℘ ℔	15	@	
Northern	23	@	
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	40	@	42½
Virginia Meal	40	@	42½
COTTON TIES—℘ bundle		@	1 10
CANDLES—℘ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	9	@	10
CHEESE ℘ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream	11	@	12
State		@	10
COFFEE—℘ ℔—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	10	@	16
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℘ yard		@	5¼
Yarns, ℘ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—℘ dozen	20	@	16
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℘ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℘ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℘ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℘ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℘ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℘ barrel	3 00	@	3 25
Mullets, ℘ pork barrel	5 75	@	6 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℘ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℘ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	3 25	@	3 50
FLOUR—℘ barrel—			
Low grade	3 25	@	3 30
Choice	3 25	@	3 75
Straight	4 75	@	4 85
First Patent	4 45	@	5 25
GLUE—℘ ℔—	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—℘ bushel—			45
Corn, from store, bags—White		@	1 12
Corn, cargo, in bulk—White		@	40
Corn, cargo, in bags—White		@	40
Oats, from store	30	@	32½
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	45
Cow Peas	45	@	50
HIDES, ℘ ℔—			
Green		@	15
Dry		@	8
HAY, ℘ 100 ℔s—			
Eastern		@	1 05
Western		@	90
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ℘ ℔	2	@	2¼
LARD, ℘ ℔—			
Northern	5½	@	6¼
North Carolina	8	@	10
LIME, ℘ barrel		@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed), ℘ M feet—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℘ gallon—			
New Crop Cuba, in hhds		@	22
" " " in bbls		@	25
Porto Rico, in hhds	25	@	29
" in bbls		@	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	12	@	14
" in bbls	14	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	15	@	
NAILS, ℘ keg, Cut 60d basis	2 35	@	2 64
PORK, ℘ barrel—			
City Mess	8 50	@	9 00
Rump		@	8 00
Prime		@	8 00
ROPE, ℘ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ℘ sack, Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	65
Lisbon		@	
American		@	65
On 125 ℔ Sacks	40	@	45
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℘ M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 50	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℘ ℔—Standard Granu'd		@	4¾
Standard A		@	4½
White Ex. C		@	4¼
Extra C, Golden	4	@	4¼
C Yellow		@	3¾
SOAP, ℘ ℔—Northern	3¼	@	4
STAVES, ℘ M—W. O. barrel	8 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℘ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	4 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	5 00
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 00
TALLOW, ℘ ℔	5	@	
WHISKEY, ℘ gallon—Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE December 5.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market opened steady at 24¾ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 24 cents for country casks. Sales later at 24¾ and 24¼ cents.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 45 per bbl for Strained, and $1 50 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1 10 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Quiet. Hard 1.40, Yellow Dip 1.90, and Virgin 1.90 per barrel.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 25@24½c; rosin, strained, $1 35; good strained $1 40; tar $1 00; crude turpentine $1 10, 1 50, 1 60.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	74
Rosin	329
Tar	87
Crude Turpentine	9

Receipts same day last year—182 casks spirits turpentine, 655 bbls rosin, 276 bbls tar, 50 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4⅝	cts ℘ ℔
Good Ordinary	6	" "
Low Middling	6⅝	" "
Middling	7	" "
Good Middling	7 5-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 8c.

Receipts—567 bales; same day last year 1,151.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 40@50c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 55c; Fancy, 60@65c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 60@65c; Fancy, 65@70c.

CORN.—Firm; 38 to 40 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 11½c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1 60 to 2 25; six inch, $3 50 to 3 50; seven inch, $5.50 to 6 50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.00 to 7.50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, December 5—Evening—Money on call 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange quiet and steady; actual business in bankers bills 483¾@484; sixty days and 486¼@486¾ for demand Commercial bills 482½@483¼. Government bonds steady; United States coupon fours 110¼; United States twos 95, State bonds dull; North Carolina fours 100; North Carolina sixes 119. Railroad bonds irregular.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to day was neglected.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, December 5—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling gulf —c; middling 7 9-16c.

Cotton futures closed quiet and steady; December 7 28, January 7 34, February 7 42, March 7 50, April 7 55, May 7 61 June 7 64, July 7 67, August 7 69. Sales 144,600 bales.

Cotton—net receipts 697 bales; gross 1,840 bales; exports to Great Britain —— bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent —— bales; forwarded —— bales; sales —— bales; sales to spinners 105 bales; stock 205 077 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 37 887 bales; exports to Great Britain 16,169 bales; to France 7,017 bales; to the Continent 7,884 bales; stock 1,211,697 bales

Total since September 1—Net receipts 3 897,780 bales; exports to Great Britain 841,546 bales; exports to France 312 889 bales; exports to the Continent 804,423 bales.

Flour was dull, steady and unchanged; Southern flour dull and unchanged; common to fair extra $2 85@3 45; good to choice $3 45@3 60. Wheat—spot dull and 1½@1¾c higher; ungraded red 80c@$1 00. No. 1 Northern 93½c; options were moderately active and firm at 1@1¾c advance; No 2 red January 89½c March 90⅝c; May 88c July 83⅝c; December 89¼c. Corn—spot dull and firm; No 2 29¼c at elevator and 30¼c afloat; options were dull and firm at unchanged prices to ⅛c advance; December 29½c; January 29½c; May 32c. Oats—spot dull but steady; options dull, irregular and ⅛c up to ⅛c down; December 23½c. January —c. May 25⅜c; spot—No. 2 23½c; No. 2 white 25½; mixed Western 22@24½. Lard was dull and weaker; Western steam $4 50; city $3 63¾. December $4 05, nominal; refined lard was easy; Continent $4 45. South America $4 85; compound $4 37½@4 62½. Pork dull and easy; new mess $8 25@8 75. Butter—choice was firm. State dairy 11@20c; do. creamery 15@23c; Elgins 24c. Eggs—market quiet and steady; State and Pennsylvania 22@26c ice house 15@22c; Western fresh 22@24c; do, per case $3 00@5 00; Southern 21@23c; limed 15½@16c. Cotton seed oil quiet and easy. crude 21@21½c; yellow prime 24@24½c. Rice and molasses firm and unchanged. Peanuts quiet; fancy hand-picked 3¾@4c. Coffee firm and 15@25 points up December $9 25@9 35; January $9 25; March $9 35@9 50. May $9 40@9 50; July $9 40@9 65; August $9 50. spot Rio quiet and firm; No. 7 $10 00. Sugar—raw dull and firm; fair refining 3 15-16c; refined firm and unchanged.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Cash quotations. Flour dull, easy and prices unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring 78¾@79¼c; No. 2 red 89¾@92¼c. Corn—No. 2 23¼@23¾. Oats No 2, 18¼@18¾c. Mess pork $6 60@6 85. Lard $3 75. Short rib sides $3 75@3 95. Dry salted shoulders $4 25@4 50. Short clear sides $4 00@4 12½. Whiskey $1 18 for high-proof spirits.

The leading futures ranged as follows: opening, highest lowest closing: Wheat—December 78¾, 79¼, 78¾, 79¼c; May 81⅛@82, 82¼, 81¾, 82⅛@82¼c; July 76, 76⅜, 75⅛, 76⅜c. Corn—December 23, 23 23⅜@23, 23c; January 23¼ 23¼ @23⅜ 23⅛ 23⅛@23¼c; May 26⅜ 26¼ 26@26⅛, 26⅛@26⅜c. Oats—December 18¼, 18⅛, 18⅛, 18⅛c; May 21⅜ @21⅛, 21⅛, 21⅛@21⅜, 21⅜c. Pork—December $6 85, 6 85, 6 85, 6 85; January $7 55, 7 57½, 7 50, 7 52½; May $7 85 7 90, 7 85, 7 87½. Lard—December $3 57½, 3 67½, 3 67½, 3 67½; January $3 85, 3 85, 3 82½, 3 82½; May $4 07½, 4 07½, 4 05, 4 07½. Short ribs—December $3 80, 3 80, 3 80, 3 80; January $3 82½, 3 85, 3 82½, 3 82½; May $3 97½, 4 00, 3 95, 3 97½.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 5.—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat firm; spot, December and January 91½c bid; May 89@89½c; Steamer No. 2 red 84¼c asked; Southern by sample 92@98c; do on grade 88@92c. Corn firmer; spot 29¼ @29½c. December 29¼@29¾c; January 28¾@28⅜c; February and March 28¾@28⅜c; Steamer mixed 26⅜c bid; Southern white corn 25½@29c. do yellow 27@28½c. Oats steady; No. 2 white 25@26c; No. 2 mixed 22½@23c.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

December 5.—Galveston, steady at 7¼, net receipts 8,749 bales; Norfolk, steady at 7 3-16, net receipts 4,331 bales; Baltimore, quiet at 7½ net receipts — bales; Boston, dull at 7 9-16, net receipts 931 bales. Wilmington, firm at 7, net receipts 563 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 7 13-16c, net receipts 500 bales; Savannah, steady at 6⅞, net receipts 3,947 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 7⅛, net receipts 15 656 bales; Mobile, easy at 7, net receipts 2,351 bales; Memphis, steady at 7 1-16c, net receipts 3,106 bales; Augusta, steady at 7, net receipts 647 bales; Charleston, quiet at 7, net receipts 1,079 bales.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 5.—12.30 P. M.—Cotton, fair demand and prices 1-32d lower; American middling 4⅛d. Sales 10 000 bales, of which 9 500 were American; speculation and export 1,500. Receipts 30 800 bales, all of which were American. Futures opened easy and demand moderate. December 4 9 64d; December and January 4 8 64d; January and February 4 6 64@4 7 64d; February and March 4 6 64@4 7 64d; March and April 4 5 64 4 6 64@4 7-64d; April and May 4 5 64 4 6 64@4 7 64d; May and June 4 5 64, 4 6 64@4 7 64d; June and July 4 7 64 4 8 64@4 7 64d; July and August 4 7 64@4 8 64d. Futures quiet.

12.45 P. M.—American spot grades; spot prices: American middling fair 4 9 16d; good middling 4 5-16d; low middling 4 5 32d; good ordinary 4 1 32d; ordinary 3 27-32d.

1 P. M.—American middling 4⅛d. December 4 10 64@4 11 64d buyer; December and January 4 8-64@4 9 64d seller; January and February 4 7 64@4 8 64d seller; February and March 4 7 64d seller; March and April 4 7-64d seller; April and May 4 7-64d buyer; May and June 4 7 64@4 8-64d seller; June and July 4 8-64d seller; July and August 4 8 64d seller; August and September 4 6 64@4 7 64d seller. Futures closed steady.

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EXPORTS.

COASTWISE.

NEW YORK—Stmr Croatan—741 bales cotton, 591 casks spirits turpentine, 640 bbls tar, 20 bags peanuts, 25,000 feet lumber, 34 pkgs mdse.

FOREIGN.

LIVERPOOL—Stmr Roxby—9 983 bales cotton.

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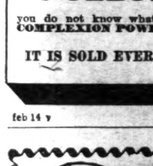

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There's nothing more pure in heaven,
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More full of the light that is all divine,
Than the smile of a little child.

The sinless lips, half parted
With breath as sweet as the air,
And the light that seems so glad to shine
In the gold of the sunny hair.

O little one, smile and bless me,
For somehow—I know not why—
I feel in my soul when children smile
That angels are passing by.

I feel that the gates of heaven
Are nearer than I knew;
That the light and the hope of that sweeter world,
Like the dawn, are breaking through.
—New York News-Letter.

GRIERSON, THE TORY

The old Episcopal churchyard of St. Paul's, in Augusta, Ga., is not entirely unknown to fame, having been (during the days of the American Revolution) notorious Fort Grierson, built by the British shortly before the colonies threw off their dominion and christened in honor of the Irish-Italian Tory who later on beat back of its ramparts the stubborn siege of Elijah Clarke and made it the refuge and stronghold of a band of Hessians and renegades that scourged the country thereabout with fire and sword.

Its site is directly on the bank of the Savannah river, and, standing on what is now the rear wall of the churchyard, one looks across the broad, muddy current into Carolina, directly into old Edgefield district, the theater of many a sanguinary enactment in those times, and the most turbulent spot today in all that hot headed state, where the erstwhile populous city and commercial mart of Hamburg, now decayed and almost deserted, blends its ruins into a landscape not altogether unlovely, with a succession of rising blue hills in the background. Below, the river sweeps to the south and the bold white bluffs of Beech island would be finely in sight were it not for the view obstructing railroad bridges. From the water to the churchyard there are two precipitous rises, both faced with ancient brickwork and requiring no great stretch of fancy or vivid imagination to conceive as parapets, with here and there the plain trace of an embrasure or casement. The situation commands any approach by water, and in itself precludes any attack from the front, the Carolina side.

Otherwise the metamorphosis has been complete, yet, though, for all that air of abiding peace, the leafy elms and shaded sward, blooming rose vines, quaintly inscribed gravestones and old brick church, with its stained glass windows and white belfry effect, it was the storm center of a running series of acts of blood and cruelty and carnage and the scene of murders and brutalities galore. Around it and its crafty, courageous defender there is woven one of those historical legends still current throughout the Carolinas and Georgia, that deal with men and deeds of that period and out of which Gilmore Sims, the Scott of the south, might have wrought a novel as interesting and as true as his incomparable "Eutaw" or "Black Riders of the Congaree"—Inspired by and spun of this folklore—with its conclusion an act of bloody but fitting justice well in keeping with the theme.

Grierson, the tradition runs, was the son of an Irish nobleman and an Italian woman of gentle blood, who settled in Georgia after his birth. Nature had endowed him with a military genius in a small way, unquavering courage and a wonderfully shrewd and cruel nature, displaying the human tiger in his lissome figure and catlike grace.

Educated abroad he returned to America skilled in all the athletic accomplishments of a soldier of the time and possessed of the easy grace and polished manner of the true gallant, but the diabolical nature underneath was manifested in the wrestling matches with which he would engage some proud young Creek or Choctaw and, catching him in a viselike grip, with the advantage a scientific knowledge of the gnarly spot in him, snap a thigh or shank, blighting the aboriginal's life as though it was glorious fun. To many of a rural youngsters of today in that section who has listened open mouthed to these tales by their gray haired grandparents he, like Marion and Sumter, Pickens and Clarke, is almost a living, breathing reality and not a personage passed into the grave and history, and they shudder at his atrocity, marvel at his willness—that outwitted even for a time the Swamp Fox and Bins Hen's Chicken—and delight in the suddenness and violence albeit the justice of his death.

At first he had espoused the patriot cause, but later forsook it and joined the British. The infamous Brown, who commanded Augusta, recognized his capacity and made him his lieutenant, placing Fort Grierson and its garrison under his command. And then how Elijah Clarke and his mountaineers and riflemen sought to take it, their brave efforts proving impotent against the brick walls and artillery, and how the attacks were resolved into a starving out process which so nearly succeeded, and yet failed, almost in the very hour of triumph, because his forces were imperatively needed and called elsewhere, is a matter of history. And so, too, is the fact that with their departure the Tory began to wreak revenge for the inconvenience and confinement he had been obliged to undergo, though not as fully chronicled as its interest and importance would seem to deserve. He had a bay mare, Wild Goose, an animal that had filled his pockets with money at the races roundabout and won entirely and exclusively his affection, that was famous as being unmatched in point of speed, endurance and intelligence by any horse in all that district. Mounted on it, and at the head of his band, this dashing, tigrish sabreur would cross the river on a wild campaign of murder and arson and plunder and lust. As the act of a coward who fears the time he may be caught and does it in order to have some basis on which to enter a plea for mercy, he refused to shield himself by granting the hollow mockery of a trial and hung his captives without attempting to conjure up a pretext.

On a bright summer's morning a decoy party appeared on the Carolina shore, and Grierson and his men rallied out to meet them, fording the stream and landing on the opposite bank without a shot being fired. The Americans were inferior in force and retreated slowly up the hill, making a stand finally against a stockade near the crest that was built of pine logs set on end and fully ten feet high. The British changed the pursuit into a charge, and their advance failed to be checked by the weak and poorly directed volley fired at them. In a moment the two forces had mingled, and the fight became a hand to hand melee, an affair of swirling scythe blades and twinkling broadswords plied with no thought of mercy or quarter. At its height a patriot reinforcement poured out of the stockades, and the Tories, seeing they had been led into a trap, sought to withdraw and seek safety in their fort, but the retreat degenerated into a rout and the rout into a massacre.

Grierson only reached the water in safety, and plunging in at a point a quarter of a mile below the ford started across, serene in the consciousness that no horse but his could breast the current at that place and twirling his black mustache in well assumed indifference. But when 20 rods from the bank a birch canoe shot out from under the fringe of willows, and from another point came another, and then another, and another, until nearly a dozen appeared, each plied by two pairs of skilled and sinewy arms and racing toward the swimming horseman. He recognised then the completeness of the trap in which at last he was fated to be so miserably caught. As the first of them came up he flung his empty pistols at their heads and was knocked from his seat with a paddle for his pains. In the water he fought like an otter, diving and struggling, upsetting a couple of boats and fairly getting the best of it until a well directed blow struck him senseless, and then, bound hand and foot, he was paddled ashore and his horse swum back by one of the party.

Back up to the stockade on the hill they carried him, where, with returning consciousness, his audacity returned, and he flung grim jests at his capturers, railing a fellow he had nearly drowned, and with racy songs and witty stories worked them all into a rollicking humor ere the sun reached its meridian.

And then he cast aside the assumed air of good fellowship and stood forth an unmitigated braggart, boasting of his own prowess and telling of feats his horse had performed. "I s'pose your mars can jump that palisado?" one of them, the leader, sarcastically suggested. "Certainly the can," Grierson replied indifferently. "Make her do it, and you are a free man." was the sneeringly given response. The Tory rolled lazily over, exposing the thongs that held him, and though the men understood his meaning there was some hesitation before they were cut, being one and all surprised at his seriousness in proposing to take advantage of the merely idle proposition and attempt a feat made absurd because of its utter impossibility. But the effort promised some sport and recommended itself as a bit of refined torture, and he was unloosed amid some joking and coarsely satirical comments. He sat up and for a moment sat chafing his wrists, continuing unblushingly all the while the flow of braggadocio, and then, whistling to his mare, which came trotting up with a low whinny of delight, he climbed into the saddle with a stiffness born of his recent rough handling. It was all a grim farce, but Grierson was taking it with an earnestness that was pathetic, seemingly persuaded by his own lies that the animal was really able to do it.

The small diameter of the inclosure made it impossible to secure a running start for the attempt, and so, in lieu of that, he began by trotting around the circle, gradually increasing his speed until it was a mad run, and then, with a wild yell and a taunting laugh, he buried the rowels of his spurs in Wild Goose's sides and over she went, as lightly as a bird. With oaths and cries the patriots rushed outside, their weapons cocked and primed, but already he was beyond rifle shot, riding with an easy grace that showed his stiffness in the stockade to have been counterfeited and benevolently smiling back over his shoulder at the thick headed clowns he so easily outwitted.

But his period of freedom was not long, for soon Augusta itself was taken, and with it Brown and Grierson. The leader of the party responsible for the latter's capture and subsequent escape had been a veritable Nemesis on the trail of the Tory ever since, spurred on by the double motive of chagrin and revenge, and fancied that at last the man's just deserts would be meted out to him, but discovered that, by the terms of capitulation, he was to be held inviolate from all bodily harm. Grierson had hung his brother and shot down his old father without provocation or warning, and the penalty of this and a hundred similar misdeeds he seemed about to escape and to return to England, an honored officer in his majesty's service, perhaps to be lauded for his loyalty and placed in a position to win further honors.

A detachment had been detailed to guard his place of confinement—a cellar on Broad street, under a building on the site of the present old Eagle and Phenix hotel—to prevent the enraged soldiery from doing violence to him. He had for a moment come to the top to catch a breath of fresh air, and sitting there on the steps, with his head above ground, was the cynosure of a thousand angry eyes. Up the street and slowly trotting in his direction was a continental mounted on the blooded horse of the captive, with his rifle across the saddle pommel and his sword dangling at his side. Grierson watched with a sort of bitterness what he considered the debasement of the intelligent brute that caught sight of him and whinnied a recognition. The rider, absorbed in himself, failed to notice it until directly opposite, and then, only with a darting under glance that swept from the Tory's head to the rifle and from the rifle back to the Tory. A breath of flame leaped from the latter's muzzle, and ere the sharp report had died away Wild Goose, urged relentlessly on with whip and spur, had carried its rider—who at last had vindicated his ability to act as astutely as the Tory had done, and at the same time satiated his revenge—safely away, while Grierson lay dead at the cellar steps, a jagged hole between his eyes and an ounce bullet in his brain.—Jas Jacques in Brooklyn Eagle.

The Mamelukes In Egypt.

Egypt was full of these mamelukes establishments, from the royal court, with its elaborate household, numerous officials and splendid appointments, to the small emir who kept a band of strong fellows within the courtyard of this barricaded house and was ready to throw in his lot with the strongest faction that happened to bid for the supreme power. When the fight came, he would sally out with his mamelukes and revel in blood and slaughter. Then he would return, perfume his beard with civet, sprinkle his jubba with rosewater, call in singing girls and musicians and enjoy a complicated menu, served in jeweled dishes on a kursi of matchless silver inlay, to the accompaniment of Arabian melodies and the pungent fumes of the frankincense in the swinging censer.

As he increased in power and wealth—and the wealth of many of these quondam slaves was fabulous—he bethought him of his immortal soul and devoted immense sums to the endowment of hospitals and schools, and the building of those exquisite mosques which still make Cairo, despite all western innovations, one of the loveliest of cities, for the mosques which entrance the artist in Cairo are almost all the work of the mamelukes, and beneath their domes sleeps what remains of the fiery, undisciplined, sensuous manhood.—London Spectator.

Ease and Fluency.

When Thiers was president of the French republic, he was about to issue some important manifesto and submitted the draft to a critical friend.

"Yes," said the critic, "the matter is clearly expressed, but I miss the ease and fluency of your usual style."

"Ah," replied Thiers, "I have not worked those in yet! The ease will cost me much labor, and the fluency I shall have to drag in by the hair of its head."—New York Post.

An Expert Statement.

"Is there any sure way of knowing when a man is meaning to propose?" asked the bud.

"You needn't worry about that," said the belle. "The knowledge comes by nature. The most important thing is to know when he isn't going to."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Man's Health and His Umbrella.

A man's health is something like an umbrella. When once lost, it is hard to get back, but when worn a little it may be recovered.—New Orleans Picayune.

A MODERN LAZARUS.

It was a hot, breathless August day in New York. The hour was high noon. Yet, beneath that vertical sun, a blind beggar sat asking alms by the wayside.

His worn dress, though scrupulously clean, betrayed the utmost poverty. His hand shook with palsy as he held forth his tattered straw hat for alms. On his bared head, bald on top, but with a few thin, gray hairs around the edges, the vertical sun poured down its fierce heat pitilessly. Poor old man!

Suddenly a splendid equipage drew up to the sidewalk and a portly, pompous man descended. Could the mendicant have seen that face he would scarcely have ventured to solicit alms, and now, when he did, his extended hat was rudely rebuffed.

"Get out of the way, get out of the way! Where's the police, I wonder!" cried the millionaire in a quick, testy voice, rudely pushing the old mendicant aside.

An officer, who happened to be within hearing, stepped immediately up and was obsequiousness itself. He shook the beggar roughly.

"Come, be moving!" he said. And observing that the old man hesitated, but whether from weakness or to arouse pity he did not stop to inquire, he gave him a push, adding "Off with you at once!"

The aged mendicant realized no longer. Feeling his way with his stick, he arose and was soon lost to sight in the hurrying crowds which even on that summer day poured ceaselessly along the streets.

But as he went, though his tongue was silent, his heart was not. He thought of his early life, when in a distant land he had been prosperous and happy; his hearth shared by a sympathizing wife, his board surrounded by lovely children.

Then he recalled the misfortunes which had driven him in his old age into exile—the fever ship where his remaining grandchildren had died, and the first day of utter beggary, a type of many a day since he had landed on a foreign shore. As these things rose before him, he groaned. "How long, O Lord, how long?"

Jostled and often almost overthrown, the mendicant had nevertheless succeeded at last in advancing several squares. He had now reached a point where it became necessary to cross Broadway. For some time he hesitated, the ceaseless roll of vehicles disheartening him, but finally there was a lull, during which he thought he might venture.

He had achieved about half the distance when a pair of proud high stepping horses approached at a rapid rate. The liveried coachman, perceiving the beggar, drew partially in. But his imperious master, always impatient of delay, at this angrily spoke up.

"Drive on, drive on!" he cried sharply. "What business has the old rascal to be in the way? He'll jump quick enough when he hears you on top of him."

He did jump quick enough, too, but it was the wrong way. Catching the sound of the horses' hoofs, he had turned his sightless eyes toward them, and then, for the first time, the coachman saw that he was blind. To pull up again was the work of a moment, even though the servant knew he was disobeying orders. But it was too late. The mendicant, losing his presence of mind, had sprung the wrong way—had fallen under the horses' feet and was run bodily over before the impetus of the carriage could be stopped.

He was not killed instantly. He had a recollection of being picked up, of hearing a crowd around him and of recognizing the voice of the rich man whom he had vainly implored for alms an hour before. "Humph!" that voice had said. "He seems done for. A doctor would do no good. Some of you carry him to the hospital and say that Alderman Brown sent him there."

Then the sound of carriage wheels rolling off and of those proud horses mixed with the murmured voices of the crowd until all became a vague dream. When the mendicant was lifted on a rude temporary litter, he was seen to be totally insensible. When his bearers stopped at the hospital, he was discovered to be dead.

The next day was Sunday. The rich man, the pompous official, had quite forgotten the incident of the preceding morning.

At 10 o'clock his sumptuous equipage was at the door, for he respected the decencies of society and went duly to church, his richly cushioned pew being in a fashionable up town Gothic edifice. And while he lolled back in his corner calculating the chances of a rise in stocks or speculating on the complexion of political parties his liveried servant waited outside with his coach and horses that all might know how exemplary a Christian Alderman Brown was.

Punctually at five minutes past 10 the rich man entered his carriage, which immediately moved off, the horses stepping stately, but with no restraint, as became the day.

Presently a plain hearse, containing a coffin of the commonest description and without a solitary follower, crossed from a bystreet, and the coachman was compelled for a moment to draw in that it might pass. It was the pourchouse hearse. Need we say who was in that coffin? And thus for the third and last time the millionaire and mendicant met.

The Dives of the parable was not the last of his kind. Many a Lazarus still lies at rich men's gates, denied even the crumbs they cook and with only dogs to lick their sores.—Exchange.

Artificial Memory.

An old Welsh blacksmith, who was also a dealer in groceries and various other trifles, was unable to read or write, but had a system of his own and kept his accounts in an original kind of hieroglyph, in which a rude representation of anything he sold on credit did duty for written symbols. At Christmas time he got his friend, the schoolmaster, to make out his bills as he dictated. Once he sent a bill for shoeing, etc., to old Sir Robert Vaughan, who presently came down in a great fluster. "Griffith Jones, you villain, you have charged me with a cheese, and I never had one from you in my life!"

"Stop a bit," cried Griffith, "while I look in the book." And there, sure enough, was a big round O, which in Griffith's script represented a cheese. Then ensued a wordy war between blacksmith and baronet, in which it was difficult to say which had the better of it. Sir Robert was riding off in a rage, when the blacksmith called him back: "Stop! I remember—the cheese was all right, but I forgot to put a hole in it. It was a grindstone." — Household Words.

A Pious Colonel.

At Delhi there are three places of worship raised to immortalize the name of a certain Colonel Skinner.

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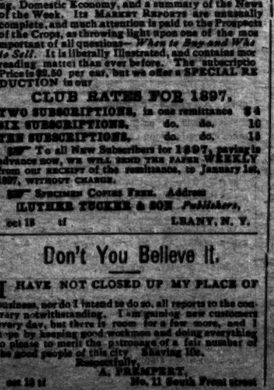

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

SCHEDULE IN EFFECT NOV. 15, 1896.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND.

DAILY No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.02 a m, Warsaw 11.16 a m, Goldsboro 12.05 a m, Wilson 12.42 p m, Rocky Mount 1.30 p m, Tarboro 2.50 p m, Weldon 3.30 p m, Petersburg 5.55 p m, Richmond 6.40 p m, Norfolk 8.30 p m, Washington 11.50 p m, Baltimore 12.50 p m, Philadelphia 2.43 a m, New York 6.55 a m, †Boston 2.30 p m.

DAILY 7.00 P M No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 p m, Warsaw 8.45 p m, Goldsboro 9.36 p m, Wilson 10.32 p m, †Tarboro 6.45 a m, Rocky Mount 11.05 p m, Weldon, 11.45 a m, †Norfolk 3.30 a m, Petersburg 5.32 a m, Richmond 6.30 a m, Washington 7.00 a m, Baltimore 9.32 a m, Philadelphia 10.46 a m, New York 1.55 p m, Boston 5.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 5.35 P M No. 35—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 6.49 p m, Chadbourn 8.14 p m, Marion 8.05 p m, Florence 8.45 p m, Sumter 9.30 p m, Columbia 9.30 p m, Denmark 8.30 a m, Augusta 8.00 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.30 p m, Savannah 12.30 a m, Jacksonville 7.00 a m, St. Augustine 9.10 a m, Tampa 6.00 p m,

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P M No. 49—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.00 p m, New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 2.55 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.50 a m, Tarboro 12.13 p m, Rocky Mount 12.40 p m, Wilson 2.10 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.08 p m, Magnolia 4.16 p m.

DAILY 9.30 a m No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12.00 m, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.00 p m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.46 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.30 p m, Weldon 9.44 p m; †Tarboro 6.05 p m, Rock Mount 5.40 a m, leave Wilson 6.15 a m, Goldsboro 7.00 a m, Warsaw 7.51 a m, Magnolia 8.03 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.35 p m No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 7.00 a m, Sanford 1.55 p m, Jacksonville 7.00 p m Savannah 12.10 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 5.50 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 9.00 a m, Augusta 2.35 p m, Denmark 4.37 p m, Sumter 7.15 a m, Florence 8.35 a m, Marion 9.34 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.56 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.10 p m, Halifax 4.52 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.30 p m, Greenville 6.51 p m, Kinston 7.35 p m. Returning, leave Kinston 7.39 a m, Greenville 8.22 a m. Arriving Halifax at 11 00a m, Weldon 11.30 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Parmele 8.50 a m and 3 40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9 50 a m and 6 30 p m, arrives Washington 11 35 a m and 7.30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily at 5.30 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.25 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily at 7.35 a m. Arrive Tarboro 9.20 a m.

Train on Midland N. C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7 10 a m; arrive Smithfield N. C., 8 0 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9 00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 11 05 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.10 a m and 5.45 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 8.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9 10 a m, arrive Lanes 9.30 a m, Dillon 9 42 a m, Rowland 10 05 a m, returning leaves Rowland 5 38 p m, arrives Dillon 5.54 p m, Lanes 6.09 p m, Pee Dee 6.30 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 1.20 p m, leave Conway 2 30 p m, Chadbourn 5.00 p m, arrive Hub 6.05 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence 8 35 a m, 9 10 a m and 8 35 p m, arrive Darlington 9 28 a m, 10 00 a m and 9 00 p m, leave Darlington 9 31 a m and 10 40 a m, arrive Cheraw 10 40 a m and 12 30 p m, leave Cheraw 12 45 p m, arrive Wadesboro 3 25 p m. Returning leave Wadesboro 3 p m, arrive Cheraw 4 45 p m, leave Cheraw 4 45 p m and 5 15 p m, arrive Darlington 7 p m and 6 35 p m. Leave Darlington 7 30 p m, 6 37 and 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8.15 p m, 6 55 p m and 8

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, DEC. 6, 1896

FORMAL PROTEST

By the German Government Against the Proclamation of President Cleveland Re-imposing Tonnage Tax on German Vessels in American Ports.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 5.—The formal protest of the German Government against the proclamation of the President re-imposing the tonnage tax on German vessels in American ports has been received at the Department of State. The President's reply to this protest and his re-assertion of the grounds on which the United States has action taken will probably be laid before Congress in the message on Monday next.

BERLIN, December 5.—Commenting upon the proclamation of the President of the United States, restoring tonnage dues upon German vessels, the *National Zeitung* says that the tonnage duties at Hamburg, Bremen and other German ports will surely be increased, but solely for the purpose of improving the harbors for the general benefit of shipping and not for State purposes, as in America. "Foreigners having their own wharves in Germany," the paper adds, "German shippers must build their own wharves in America; Germany will now be deprived of the advantages she obtained in 1888, the sacrifice being imposed upon German ship owners."

The *Frisssining Zeitung* estimates that the North German Lloyd Steamship Company alone will be subjected to an increased expenditure of 150,000 marks and the Hamburg American line will suffer to almost as great an extent.

The *Cologne Gazette* regards President Cleveland's proclamation as an effort on his part to retire from office in a blaze of glory. The President's assertion that State tonnage duties are levied at German ports, however, is erroneous as the duties imposed are solely for the use of special port facilities. In conclusion the *Gazette* expresses the hope that in the enforcement of the proclamation, "even in the case of Germans in America" the American courts will see that the principle of right and justice is upheld, and that meanwhile Germany may convince America that such an infringement of German rights cannot be accepted.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

May Wheat Firm and Higher—Corn and Oats Unchanged—Pork Products Closed Lower.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, December 5.—The crowd was too enthusiastic on yesterday's break in wheat, and in consequence oversold the market. To-day matters were evened up by a recovery of almost half the loss. The Liverpool market displayed the same indifference to our Friday's break as it did to Thursday's bulge. This was considered quite as favorable, and partly explained the firmness of prices. May wheat opened from 81¼c to 83c, sold at 81¾c, advanced to 83¾c, closing at 83¼@83¾c—1¼c higher than yesterday. Cash wheat was firm and 1@1¼c higher.

A few shorts found it expedient to cover corn sales this morning, the purchases causing prices to present a steady tone. The firmness of wheat was of course the incentive for buying May corn opened at 26¼c, sold at 26@26¼c, closing at 26¼@26¾c—unchanged from yesterday. Cash corn was steady and without any essential change in prices.

The trade in oats was of the same dull and unattractive character as usual. Yesterday's decline, although moderate, created a short interest, which in covering this morning firmed the tone. Sympathy with the other grains was the consideration. May oats closed unchanged from yesterday. Cash oats were steady and unchanged.

Provisions—The reception of hogs was heavy at the yards. Ten cents per hundred pounds were therefore deducted from the price of live animals and the product naturally coincided with the downward tendency. At the close January pork and lard were each 7½c lower and January ribs 2½@5c lower.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

The Visible Supply of Cotton—Crop in Sight—New York Sun's Review of the Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 5.—The total visible supply of cotton for the world is 3 817,979 bales, of which 3 497,779 bales are American, against 3,754,109 bales and 3 413 909 bales respectively last year. Receipts of cotton this week at all interior towns 203 791 bales. Receipts from the plantations 393,460 bales. Crop in sight 4 949,336 bales.

The *Sun* says: Spot cotton here was unchanged, with sales of 105 bales for spinning. Middling uplands 7 9 16c, against 8⅝c last year; New Orleans and Gulf 7 13-16c, against 8⅝c last year. The Liverpool news to-day was better than had been expected, in view of the sharp decline yesterday, and prices here rallied. Liverpool recovered most of the early loss and business on the spot there continues active. Steadiness in Liverpool, as stated, was due to a cable sent from this side saying that the crop might not exceed 8 500,000 bales. Shorts covered; Liverpool bought; there was some new buying for local account; several large commission houses were good buyers, and the indications pointed to comparatively small receipts at the ports for the day. Before the close part of the improvement was lost on realizing sales and the absence of supporting orders. The receipts at the ports, according to local operators, this week will approximate 260,000 bales, but New Orleans advices estimated the total at 280 000 to 290 000 bales. The worst feature of the speculation at the present time is the absence of an outside demand. One prominent firm here reduced its crop estimate from 8,750,000 to 8,500,000 bales.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 5.—Rosin quiet; strained common to good $1 80@1 83½. Spirits turpentine quiet at 27@27½c.

CHARLESTON, December 5.—Spirits turpentine firm at 24½c bid; no sales. Rosin firm; sales — barrels: C, D, E, $1 45, F G $1 50, H $1 55, I, K $1 60, M $1 75, N $1 90, W G $2 15, W W $2 40.

SAVANNAH, December 5.—Spirits turpentine firm at 25½c; sales 1,000 casks; receipts 1,675 casks. Rosin firm; sales 5,000 barrels; receipts 6,906 barrels: A, B, C, D, E $1 50, F $1 50, G $1 55, H $1 65, I $1 70, K $1 75, M $1 95, N $2 15, W G $2 35, W W $2 65.

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UNITED STATES NAVY.

SECRETARY HERBERT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

That Three Light Draft Battleships and Twelve Torpedo Boats be Constructed—Vessels of the Merchant Marine to be Equipped and Used as an Auxiliary in Case of an Emergency—The Naval Militia and Other Matters Considered.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 5.—Secretary Herbert in his annual report asks Congress at the coming session to authorize three light-draft battleships and twelve torpedo boats. He recommends that these ships be planned for an extreme deep-load draught of not more than twenty-three feet, and suggests that considerations of strategy upon our Atlantic and Gulf coasts render this an essential to success of naval campaigns. "This reasoning," he says, "is the final result of much careful study by able officers of conditions as they exist on our southern coasts. Battleships that could enter the harbors Savannah, Brunswick, Key West, Tampa, Pensacola, Mobile, and the mouth of the Mississippi at all times would have an immense advantage over the battleships of foreign nations, few if any of which could enter these ports. Light draught battleships, if we had them, could make any of these ports bases of supply; could sail forth from them or retire into them at will, and could therefore almost always offer battle on their own terms.

"There are also many of our ports farther North which would give the same advantages to such ships."

An interesting feature of the report is a resume of the progress of the upbuilding of the new navy from the time of its inauguration under Secretary Chandler. Congress has authorized, during the present administration, twenty-eight vessels, with a total tonnage of 65,866 tons; of these five are first-class battleships and sixteen torpedo boats.

"Large as the above increase appears," says the Secretary, "it yet does not suffice to place the United States navy in a satisfactory condition, if we mean to be able at all times to defend our long line of seacoast, afford unquestionable protection to our citizens in foreign lands, render efficient aid to our diplomacy and maintain under all circumstances our national honor."

The Secretary, calling attention to the comparative naval strength of the principal Powers, states that while the results achieved by the United States are highly creditable to the country, yet, it is clear that the great Powers with which we are brought into close relationship largely exceed us not only in the number of battleships and torpedo boats actually in commission, but in their naval programmes for the future.

The Secretary shows that on June 30, 1898, there were thirty vessels in commission, with a tonnage of 69,830 tons, "while on December 10, the total tonnage in commission will be 137,859 tons."

Attention is again called to the necessity for some legislating by Congress which will enable the Department to make use, in case of an emergency, of the tugs, yachts and vessels engaged in the fishing fleets and coastwise and lake trade, and to call into the service of the navy the sailors and officers necessary to command and fit such ships in case of threatened or actual war. He recommends an additional appropriation for the purpose of supplying guns and ammunition with which to arm vessels to be called into service from our merchant marine.

Reference is also made to a reserve system, and the Secretary sets forth the report of a board appointed to formulate a general plan for the laying-up of vessels in reserve and in this connection it is announced that the Department expects to be able to submit to the Congress at an early day during the coming session suggestions for such legislation as may be needed to enable it to provide proper accommodations for ships, so that it may establish and maintain a reserve system, with the value and importance of which the Department is deeply interested.

The subject of the naval militia is dealt with at some length and it is shown that at the close of the last administration the number of naval militia lawfully certified was 1,794, divided among the States of Rhode Island, Maryland, South Carolina North Carolina Massachusetts, California and New York. From the last official returns they now number 3,389 in the States of California, New York, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Maryland, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Connecticut, Michigan, New Jersey, Georgia and Louisiana, and the Department has been informed of the prospective formation of an additional battalion in New York (at Brooklyn) and an organization in Ohio.

During the Summer the various battalions have been drilling on vessels of the navy and have had the advantages of target practice and drills with the batteries of the ships.

The Secretary devotes considerable space to reviewing the reports of the chiefs of bureaus which have already been published and in this connection asks Congress to authorize the building of a dock at Norfolk of sufficient size to take in the largest vessel of the navy. This he recommends should be constructed of concrete, as it is more durable, more readily repaired and cheaper than a wooden dock. Such satisfactory experiments have been made with liquid fuel by Engineer-in-Chief Melville that the Department has ordered that a tug now being constructed at the Norfolk yard and one of the smaller torpedo boats being built by the Herreshoff Company be fitted up for using this oil, intending thus to thoroughly test its capabilities. These boats will be adapted for coal if oil fails.

For the relief of the over-worked engineer corps it is urged that their number be increased until the limit shall reach 930, instead of 194 as at present.

It is announced that the training station on the Pacific coast, on the island of Yerba Buena, as provided by Congress, will soon be established and that in the meantime the Adams, now returning from Honolulu, will be fitted for the duty.

A. & N. C. RAILROAD.

The Judge Continues His Restraining Order—The Lease Will Not be Made.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 5.—Great interest has been manifested in North Carolina by an attempt to lease to a syndicate for forty years the Atlantic & North Carolina Railway, of which the State is two-thirds owner. Republicans applied for an injunction to prevent the lease. The matter was argued yesterday and to-day the judge continued his restraining order. This settles the matter. The lease will not be made.

The weekly statement of the Associated Banks shows the following changes: Reserve, increase, $1,053,775; loans, increase, $8 698,600, specie, decrease, $986,100, legal tenders, increase, $4,841,800; deposits, increase, $11,411,700; circulation, decrease $230,300. The banks now hold $33,464,400 in excess of legal requirements.

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THE WAR IN CUBA.

REPORTS OF ENGAGEMENTS BETWEEN INSURGENTS AND SPANIARDS.

A Battle in Havana Province With Losses on Both Sides—Spanish Reports of an Engagement in Matanzas Province.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, Dec. 5.—Major Cirugeda, with the San Quentin battalion, after a march entailing great hardship, has captured the rebel positions in the Baracoa hills, near Punta Brava, in Havana province. The fight lasted two hours, at the expiration of which time the rebels were dispersed, leaving in their flight thirty-three of their dead on the field and carrying away a great many more. The losses of the troops were one man killed, a captain and ten privates wounded.

Col. Aldea with 150 men has had a battle in the Purgatorio hills near Sanuilla, in the Matanzas province, which resulted in his capturing the rebel position. The rebels, strong in numbers, made several rallies but were repulsed by cavalry charges. The rebels were finally all driven from the battlefield, from which they carried many of their dead. The Spanish losses were twenty-four privates killed and two lieutenants and forty-nine privates wounded. Col. Aldea himself was badly bruised. The losses of the insurgents are estimated at three hundred killed or wounded.

Captain Cabello, with another fraction of the Spanish forces, had a fight at Leguna with a party of rebels under Juan Armada, killing the rebel leader and eighteen of his followers. The troops lost two killed and two wounded.

THE SHARKEY-FITZ FIGHT.

A Bout in the Courts for the Ten Thousand Dollar Check—Sharkey Improving Rapidly.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5.—Bob Fitzsimmons had a bout to-day in Justice Grozinger's Court with a collector holding a judgment against the Australian for $950 in favor of Jimmy Carroll. Sharkey's manager, Dan Lynch, was summoned as a witness, but when he appeared he was immediately placed on the stand in his own defence, an old debtor having garnisheed the $10 000 purse for a claim against Lynch of $1,400.

Nothing was done in the Fitzsimmons case, but Lynch was cross-examined until he had tied himself up very neatly. He first declared that he had no interest in the purse; then he stated that in obedience to a request by Sharkey he had placed the $10,000 check in the hands of a gentleman from Montana for safe keeping. The court quickly adjourned to Sharkey's sick chamber, where the sailor's deposition was taken. Sharkey declared under oath that Lynch still held the check, and that he (Sharkey) knew nobody from Montana. Up to the hour of adjournment no trace of the much wanted document could be found.

Sharkey is improving rapidly and will be on the street within three days. Fitzsimmons is engaged for exhibitions tomorrow afternoon and evening and will remain in the city until the courts determine who is entitled to the purse. Julian claims to be accumulating evidence of crooked work, and promises to uncover a rascally job by the committee to down the Australian and his backers. Incidentally it is rumored that Fitzsimmons wagered a considerable sum that Sharkey would last six rounds and judging from the fight he put up, this seems quite probable. All experts agree that the sailor was practically a goner in the fourth round and Fitzsimmons had to be careful to avoid knocking him out in the fifth.

SUIT FOR LARGE AMOUNT.

Brought by Creditors in Behalf of the Southern Railway.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., December 5.—A suit involving nearly $18 000,000 was instituted in the United States Circuit Court here to-day. It is brought by Chas. H. Carter, George Sherman and Anthony J. Thomas, citizens and residents of the State of New York, who sue for the benefit of the Southern Railway plaintiffs, against the Richmond & West Point Terminal Railway and Warehouse Company, a corporation existing under the laws of Virginia. The action is based upon a plea of debt amounting to $16,049,000, with interest from July 18, 1893 amounting to $481,470, and in addition the sum of $1,283 344 85, interest due on principal and $90 60 costs, as taxed, in all $17,818,845 55. The plaintiffs contend that they recovered judgment against the defendants in the New York Supreme Court on January 18, 1894, and that the defendants "owe and unjustly detain" the amount from the plaintiffs, and that the claim "remains in full force and effect, in no wise settled, satisfied, reversed, annulled, paid off, or discharged."

MIRACULOUS RESCUE

Of a Sailor in Mid-Ocean—Only Survivor of the Crew of the Schooner Frank M. Noyes.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., December 5.—The British steamship Straithnairn, Captain Cuming, which arrived at this port today from Delaware Breakwater, brought Erick Stocklasse, a Swedish sailor, who was picked up Friday clinging to a small hatch floating in the Gulf stream off the coast of North Carolina. Stocklasse was the only survivor of the schooner Frank M. Noyes, Captain Asquini, bound from San Andecas island for Baltimore, with a cargo of fruit. The vessel capsized Wednesday morning, and all on board were drowned except Stocklasse and Arthur Cross, of Springfield, Mass., who clung to one of the vessel's hatches. Cross became exhausted after being in the water until Thursday night, and bidding his shipmate farewell sank into the sea.

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGED.

County Treasurer Coe, of Dallas, Texas, Arrested.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DALLAS, TEX., December 5.—County Treasurer W. N. Coe was arrested to night on a grand jury indictment, charging him with embezzling $5,695 of Dallas county funds. Coe claims to have been robbed in his office by two men at midnight last Sunday night, and to have been shot in the back of his head. The wound is slight, and Coe has been in office or on the streets nearly every day since. Coe gave bond in the sum of $5,000.

In a prize fight fought in a secluded place near Minneapolis Friday night between Pat Connelly and John Cassady, the former knocked Cassady senseless in the third round and there is danger that he will die from the effects of the blow.

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COASTWISE STEAMERS

Delayed by the Storm, but Arrived Safely in Port.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 5.—The Clyde steamer Seminole which was somewhat overdue, arrived at her dock early this morning. Captain Bearse reports that when he left Charleston on Monday last, the wind was blowing hard. On the following day it had increased to a hurricane, blowing at the rate of seventy-five miles an hour. The vessel was headed to the sea and wind, and for forty-eight hours the steamer stood practically still, not a mile of headway being made. On Thursday the weather moderated, the steamer was put on her course and came to port without further trouble. The vessel received no damage.

The Norwegian fruit steamer Yumuri, Captain Matheson, arrived here early this morning from the West Indies. Captain Matheson reports that on Wednesday, about 800 miles south of Hatteras, he encountered a gale which gradually increased in violence until the following morning, when it reached the force of a hurricane. A heavy sea broke over the after-rail, smashing the steering wheel and causing other damage.

The Clyde Line steamer Cherokee, from Charleston, which was two days overdue, was sighted off the Highlands shortly after 9 o'clock this afternoon.

The Morgan Line steamer Excelsior, from New Orleans, and the Cherokee, which arrived to-day, were in the heavy gale off the Carolinas on the 3d and 3d instants. These steamers were delayed about two days beyond their regular time, but neither received any damage.

WARM WIRELETS.

The schooner Nathan F. Cobb, o Rockland, Maine, was wrecked off Ormond, Fla., yesterday morning.

The Henry County Bank, Clinton, Mo., has failed. The deposits are about $135,000 and bills payable about $30,000.

Archbishop Fabre, of Montreal, was very low yesterday and the last sacraments of the church were administered.

Two thousand people witnessed the twin launching of the United States gunboats Vicksburg and Newport at Bath, Me., yesterday.

The Baxter Springs (Kas.) Bank is in the hands of the Deputy Bank Commissioner. A statement of assets and liabilities cannot be obtained.

The U. S. cruiser Marblehead has gone to the New York navy yard to undergo repairs. She had just returned from a two years' cruise on the European station.

The President has pardoned for the purpose of restoring to citizenship Frank J. Biss, sentenced in North Carolina to two years and six months' imprisonment for perjury.

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In fact, if you want a position of any kind, or if you need any kind of help, advertise for it in THE SUNDAY STAR. It will

Cost You Nothing.

All you have to do is this: Write your advertisement; attach the following coupon to it, and bring or mail it to THE STAR office not later than Friday evening, and it will appear in the following Sunday STAR one time.

GOOD for the insertion of one WANT advertisement of not over twenty-five words, for help or employment, in the Sunday Star, when attached to the copy of the advertisement.

dec 1 tf

Nuts and Canned Goods.

Cocoanuts. Mixed Nuts,

CANNED PEACHES,

Tomatoes, Corn, Peas, Grapes, Okra and Tomatoes, Beans, Oysters, Beef, &c.

Staple and Fancy Groceries,

Provisions, Bagging and Ties.

HALL & PEARSALL,

Nutt and Mulberry streets.

oct 26 D&W tf

Foreclosure Sale.

PURSUANT TO A DECREE OF THE Superior Court of New Hanover county, Fall term of 1896 on Monday, the 7th day of December next, at 11 o'clock a. m., I will expose to sale by auction at the Court House door, for cash, to foreclose a mortgage made by F. W. Kerchner and Lydia C. Kerchner, to Hasson M. Bowden, registered in the Records of New Hanover county, in Book No. 5, pages 303, 303 and 304, the following described property in this city: Beginning at a point in the Western line of Front street 96 fee from the intersection of Front and Nun streets, thence westwardly parallel with Nun street 210 feet, thence southwardly 66 feet, thence eastwardly parallel with Nun street 210 feet, thence northwardly in the western line of Front street, 66 feet to the beginning.

THOMAS EVANS,
dec 6 td6 sun Commissioner.

We supply the wants of those large feet, requiring number 15's in Men's heavy SHOES; also, those tiny little feet requiring number 0's in Infants' smallest size, and almost anything else in GOOD CHEAP SHOES between these two extremes. Gents' Holiday SLIPPERS in abundance. Come early and avoid the Christmas rush. Respectfully,

Mercer & Evans,

63½ steps east from corner Princess and Front Sts. dec 6 tf

Sale of Stock.

BY DIRECTION OF THE BOARD OF Directors of the "East Carolina Piscatorial Association," I will expose for sale to the highest bidder, at public auction for cash, at the Court House door of New Hanover county, in the City of Wilmington, on Saturday the 26th day of December, 1896, at 12 o'clock M., twenty shares of the capital stock of the "East Carolina Piscatorial Association," standing in the name of Thomas Perrett to satisfy and pay the sum of two hundred and twenty dollars, due as unpaid assessments on said stock; said assessments having been duly and regularly called by order of the said board and payment thereof having been duly refused by Thomas Perrett, the subscriber to said stock.

JOHN D. BELLAMY, Jr.,
dec 4 td Attorney.

CABBAGE PLANTS.

500,000 Cabbage Plants

FROM PETER HENDERSON'S AND GEO. TATE & SONS' SEEDS, for sale by

N. B. DAWSON,
nov 22 1m Compton, N. C.

A CARD.

Fruit Cake —FOR— Thanksgiving and Xmas

IS NOW IN ORDER.

We have some nice at 20c per pound. If you don't want ours let us do your Baking. We bake twice a day and can do your Baking at any time, night or day.

We are yours for low prices.

THE PALACE BAKERY.

nov 22 tf

New Firecrackers.

200 Boxes New Firecrackers.
200 Bags C. C. Nuts.
100 Boxes Mixed Nuts.
150 Barrels Apples.
100 Boxes L. L. Raisins.
200 Pails Mixed Candy.
300 Bags Peanuts.
25 Cases Jersey Milk.

W. B. COOPER.

nov 20 tf D&W Wilmington, N. C.

Tomato Soup,

Rich and delicious in flavor.
Red Tabasco Pepper Sauce—Hot? Well, yes.
Catsup by the quart a No. 1.
Jordan Shelled Almonds.
Finest quality of Citron.
Everything necessary for a cake.
Oranges and Malaga Wafers.

S. W. SANDERS,

At the "Unlucky Corner."

nov 17 tf

Shoes For The Boys.

Boys are apt to be hard on Shoes, but we have the Shoes adapted to rough usage. One pair of our youth's Kangaroo Calf Lace Shoes at $1.25, or a pair of our "Little Dude" Shoes at $1 25 will convince you that for economy we have the Shoe. Be sure and see them before purchasing elsewhere.

Geo. R. French & Sons.

nov 22 tf

For Rent,

THE STORE No. 108 NORTH Water street, now occupied by J. L. Cronse & Co. Apply to

D. O'CONNOR,
4 tf Real Estate Agent.

"GET THERE"

This is the advice the old man gave his son when he was leaving his paternal roof: "Make money, my son, make it honest if you can, and if you can't, make it." This is our motto: "Sell goods, boys; sell them at a profit if possible, and if not, sell them anyway." And here goes some of our hustling prices:

Ladies' Crepe Wool Skirts, nicely made, seven gores, well lined and faced, at $1.00. Fine Black Brilliantine, all wool, well finished, at $2 00. Beautiful Crepon, black all wool Skirts at $3 00; better and finer at $4 00 and 5 00 each. These Skirts are as cheap as you can buy the cloth.

A big line of new Capes, in fine Plush Capes worth $5 00, now 4 00; better trimmed, worth $7.50, now 5.00. Beautiful Beaver Capes at $2.50 up to 5 00.

Ladies' Cloaks in black, nicely made with large buttons, at $1 98 each; better at 2 25 and 3 00. All new styles.

We have preparations for Santa Claus, and can show you a very nice line of Dolls, Stoves, Guns, Tea Sets and Air Rifles, Boys' Pocket Knives, Balls, Iron and Tin Trains from 5c to $1.50 each, Dolls from 5c to $1.50, beautiful with kid body, hair, shoes and stockings, 14 inches long, at 25c each. The warranted Unbreakable Dolls, 15 inches long, with hair and gown, at 50c, and larger up to 75c, $1 00 and 1.50.

We are selling lots of Clothing of all kinds. A beautiful heavy weight black Clay Worsted, satin lined, all nice new goods, strictly all wool, at 8 25, worth 10 00 and 12 00. A big drive in heavy all wool well made Suits at $6 50, worth 10.00. A Black Cheviot Suit, well made, at $5.00. Grey and Blue Cheviot at $3 75. We are selling boys' nice all wool Suits, square cut, double-breasted, at $2 00 a Suit.

You may need some Underwear. We have Ladies' Knit Ribbed Under Vests at 17½c each; heavier, all cotton, plain lined, at 25c. Men's heavy 1 pound weight Cotton Under Shirts at 25c. Men's Jager fleeced lined Under Shirts and Pants at 50c each. Wool fleeced soft and fine, same goods at 75c each. Men's double breasted back and front at $1 00. All wool both red and colored.

Blankets are a thing you need these cold nights. 10-4 Grey fleeced double Blankets at $1.00; heavier at 1 25, better. three-fourths wool, weight 5 pounds, at 2 25 a pair. Beautiful white all wool Blankets, weight 5 pounds, at $3 50.

We are at 112 North Front street, opposite the Orton Hotel.

Braddy & Gaylord, Prop.

At Wilmington's Big Racket Store.

dec 6 tf

VISIT THE STORE OF

C. W. Polvogt & Co.,

No. 9 North Front St.

DURING THIS WEEK AND SEE THE NEW GOODS THEY HAVE OPENED, CONSISTING OF

Stylish Dress Goods, Trimmings, Carpets, Rugs,

LADIES' JACKETS AND CAPES,

Blankets and Comforters.

The largest Carpet and Window Shade Department in the State.
Special attention paid to making and laying Carpets.
The Best $1.00 Kid Glove in the city. Every pair warranted.

Friday, Our Bargain Day.

C. W. Polvogt & Co.,

Sole Agents for Butterick's Patterns and W. B. Corsets.
Samples sent on application. nov 8 tf

THE BROOKLYN DEPARTMENT STORE!

J. H. REHDER & Co., Props.

TOYS, TOYS.

A real nice Doll with real hair 5c.
Pretty Doll 14½ inches long 9c.
The very prettiest Dolls 25c.
Tea Sets at 5, 10, 15c to $1.50.
Doll Carriages 85, 97 8c and $1.75.
Wagons at 5 and 25c.
Wagons with iron axles $1 00.
Chairs at 35, 40, 50 and 98c.
Wheelbarrows 25c.
Tool Chests, Cradles, Tables,
All kinds of Games, Trains, Sideboards, Bureaus, Blackboards, Horns, Tin Toys and everything else in the Toy line.

Fancy Goods of every description.
Beautiful line of Fancy Crockery at 5, 10, and 50c.
Risque Figures 35, 50 and up to $3 50 per pair.
Fine Perfumes at all prices.
Prettiest line of Pictures.
Easels at 75, 1.00 and $1.50.
Big stock of Tree Ornaments.
Some new things in Dress Goods.
Bargains in Handkerchiefs.
A great many articles suitable for Christmas Gifts.

BARGAINS IN SHOES, SLIPPERS, CLOTHING, HATS, UNDERWEAR, MATTING, CARPETS, RUGS, &c.

J. H. Rehder & Co.

Phone 118. Near Fourth Street Bridge.
Car fare paid on purchases of $2 and up Card. Pictures free, ask for Punch
dec 6 tf

These Stoves Have Cast Iron Top and Base.

We will guarantee them to outlast two of the old-style sheet iron tops and base. They are handsome and cheap. Just examine them—we have no further comments.

Wm. H. Springer & Co.,

"PURCELL" BUILDING, WILMINGTON, N. C. nov 20 tf

RUBBERS!

ALL STYLES ALL SIZES

PETERSON & RULFS.

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$400,000 TO LOAN

AT MINIMUM RATES BY THE

ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK,

WILMINGTON, N. C.,

on approved security. No customer put off for a day if his security is good. Accounts solicited. Unsurpassed facilities in every department of banking. No interest paid on deposits.

J. W. NORWOOD, President. W. C. COKER, Jr., Assistant Cashier
W. J. TOOMER, Cashier.

oct 18 tf

HOT WATER BAGS,

Full two quart (plain or flannel covered)

One Dollar Each.

These are the best.

JAMES D. NUTT,
dec 4 tf The Druggist.

Combination Bicycle

FOR SALE.

A Combination "Crusader" Bicycle, for either lady or gentleman. Cushion Tires, Brand new. Will be sold cheap. Call in person, or address M., at
ap 7 tf STAR OFFICE.